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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Senor Romero, the Mexican ambassador at Washington, D. C., died yesterday at the embassy, after an operation for appendicitis. —— A crazy soldier of the Third Connecticut regiment attempted to cut a woman's throat near Charleston. —— Testimony as to the character of fresh beef furnished the army shows that it was totally unfit for use, and was the cause of much of the sickness among the men. —— Two departments have been located at Havana, Gen. Ludlow to command the city and suburbs, and Gen. Lee the province outside of the city. —— The War Department has advices from Gen. Otis; he has not yet heard of the result of the landing of American troops at Iloilo. —— The Second Illinois regiment is charged with mutinous conduct on the transport Michigan while on the voyage to Cuba; the colonel in command of the regiment has been reported. —— A British ship has gone to Iloilo to protect British interests there. —— Insurgents at Iloilo are inclined to surrender to Americans if satisfied with the form of government accorded them. —— Jury in the Botkin poisoning case returned a verdict of murder, with penalty of life imprisonment. —— New York markets: Money on call steady at 2@3 per cent., the last loan being at 2 per cent.; cotton steady, middling uplands 5⅞c; flour quiet; wheat—spot steady, No. 2 red 80⅝c; corn—spot easy, No. 2 44⅛c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine strong.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 30.

Temperature: 8 A.M., 51 deg.; 3 P.M., 61 deg.; maximum, 69 deg.; minimum, 50 deg.; mean, 60 deg.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 2.38.

Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., 5.1 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Forecast for Saturday: North Carolina colder; cold wave in western portions; brisk southerly winds becoming northwesterly and increasing.

COLD WAVE COMING.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30, 2.30 P. M.—Cold wave; temperature will fall twenty to thirty degrees by Saturday night.

Port Almanac---Dec. 31.

Sun Rises	7.11 A. M.
Sun Sets	4.55 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 44 M.
High Water at Southport	9.49 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington	12.19 P. M.

The burglar business in New Jersey must be somewhat depressed when they have gone to burglarizing jails.

Missouri is coming to the front as a petroleum State. An immense field has been discovered there. Is the mule to be dethroned?

If we hold the Philippines we will not only accumulate a large variety of natives, but also a large variety of lingos—about 122, according to the latest tally.

The college man who stole 5,000 books from the library, pleads absentmindedness. The absentmindedness wasn't discovered until the absence of the books was.

James Tyson, the richest man in Australia, who died recently, some years ago worked as a butcher for $150 a year. But he got tired of that and went to making money and getting rich.

Last year 2,986 vessels passed through the Suez canal, 1,905 of which were under the British flag. Three bore the American flag. No wonder the people on that side can't tell the American flag without taking a good look at it.

When Queen Victoria ascended the throne more than 40 per cent. of the British people could not write their names. Now the people who can't do that do not number more than 7 per cent. But a good many of these people who couldn't write made their mark.

There are inexhaustible supplies of peat in the bogs of Canada, where a machine has been invented for compressing it and utilizing it as fuel for manufacturing purposes. It is compressed into hard blocks, with high heating capacity, and Canada is congratulating herself on solving the fuel problem.

What-becomes-of-the-pins problem has never yet been solved, and now some one wants to know what has become of the 199,900,000 old style copper pennies that have been coined. Occasionally one is seen, but very rarely. Out of the 4,500,000 bronze 2-cent pieces coined a few years ago 3,000,000 are apparently lost, and so are 1,000,000 3-cent silver pieces, one of which is rarely seen, and 800,000 half-cent pieces, none of which are ever seen.

When a woman wills she will and when she won't she won't. Miss Nelson, of Woodbury, N. J., had a sweetheart, to whom she was engaged, who was arrested and tried for the murder of his mother and grandmother. She is an heiress and rich. She stuck to her fellow, hired counsel and finally succeeded in having him acquitted and turned out of jail. And then she changed her mind and surprised everybody by refusing to marry him. She probably acted wisely, for there must be a bad streak in a man who could even be suspected of murdering his mother and grandmother.

An American doctor who put a lot of his own and of other people's money into an establishment in the city of Mexico where people could take sun baths, struck a bad scheme for he didn't discover until his money was spent that the people in that country spend most of their time trying to keep out of the sun. A soap factory among the Indians would have been quite as profitable a venture, and even more so if the Indians could be trained to eat soap.

An Austrian chemist who has been making a special study of the perfume of flowers imparts the information that a majority of them have no odor and that not more than 400 out of 4110 varieties cultivated in Europe have any odor, and of these about fifty have an odor that is far from being agreeable.

The longest open-sea, open-boat ride recorded lately was that of a sea captain, his wife and four children, and others, whose ship was burned on the Pacific. They took to an open boat and sailed 2,200 miles before they struck land in the Hawaiian group.

George Bartley, a clerk in the State Department in Washington, is a good sticker. He has held his job continuously for fifty-four years. Such a sticker should have been in the Postoffice Department.

The principal objection that Mr. Yerkes, the street-car magnate of Chicago, has to the Chicago aldermen is that so many of them refuse to stay bought.

American exhibitors will have about five acres of space to spread themselves at the Paris exposition in 1900.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Clerk Criminal Court—Notice.
New York Mutual Life Ins. Co.
Owen F. Love & Co.—Hardware.
I. B. Rhodes—A toothsome morsel.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

S. W. Russ—Hands wanted.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Dr. E. Porter, of Rocky Point, was here on business yesterday.

— Mr. T. H. Tate returned yesterday from a visit to friends in Kinston.

— Mr. A. H. McFadyen, of Clarkton, was registered at The Orton yesterday.

— Miss Jennie McMillan is in the city, spending a short while with her brother, W. D. McMillan, Jr., on South Front street.

— Mr. P. H. Smith has returned from a visit to Richmond, Va., where he went to spend the holidays with his daughter, Mrs. T. C. Diggs.

Much Needed Street Improvements.

Superintendent Perry, of the street force, is making some very acceptable and much needed improvements on South Fourth street beyond Orange. The STAR, a short while ago, referred to the very bad condition of the sidewalks on which the pupils of the High School have been compelled to wade in water in going to and from the High School. The work now being done will very much improve the conditions, and it is very much to be hoped that the nuisance will be entirely abated before they stop.

Approved by Commissioners.

Col. Roger Moore, as Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, yesterday afternoon approved the thirty-six applications for renewal of liquor licenses, which had been previously allowed by the Board of Aldermen. The remaining applications, which were not considered by the Aldermen on account of the absence of a quorum yesterday afternoon, will be examined by Col. Moore after they have been approved by the Board of of Aldermen at their meeting which is called to be held at noon to-day.

Will Convene January 3rd.

In another column Mr. W. R. French, clerk of the Criminal Court, gives notice that inasmuch as January 2nd will be observed as a holiday, the term of the circuit Criminal Court which is announced to convene on that day by Judge Dossey Battle, will not convene until the day following, January 3rd, at 10 o'clock A. M. He notifies jurors, witnesses and defendants to take notice of the change and govern themselves accordingly.

IMPROMPTU GERMAN.

Another Brilliant Company of Dancers at Germania Hall Last Night.

TWO ELEGANT LUNCHEONS.

One by Mr. and Mrs. James Sprunt and the Other by Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Emerson—Complimentary to the Dramatic Club.

Probably the climax in the round of pleasures attendant upon the Christmas holiday season in Wilmington society was attained last night when there was crowded into a single evening the delightful theatrical at the Opera House by the University Dramatic Club, a brilliant impromptu german in Germania hall and two elaborate luncheons—one by Mr. and Mrs. James Sprunt, and the other by Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Emerson.

The german and luncheons were complimentary to the members of the Dramatic Club. Earlier in the evening Dr. and Mrs. G. G. Thomas tendered the members of the club and invited guests a delightful tea.

The impromptu german was one of the most largely attended and successful of the season. Mr. Thomas W. Davis led the brilliant company of dancers through a series of beautiful and in many instances difficult figures.

The dancing was in progress from 11 until 3 o'clock. There were very many spectators during much of the time.

At the conclusion of the german the company of dancers repaired, some to the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Emerson and others to that of Mr. and Mrs. James Sprunt.

The guests of Mr. and Mrs. Emerson, earlier in the evening, constituted a delightful opera party at the theatre.

The members of the Dramatic Club in whose honor the german and luncheons were given are: Mr. J. R. Carr, Durham; Mr. E. A. Lockett, Winston; Mr. Graham Woodard, Wilson; Mr. Ike Harris, Chapel Hill; Mr. Marsden Bellamy, Jr., Wilmington; Mr. George Vick, Selma; Mr. W. A. Reynolds, and Mr. C. D. Gruver, Pennsylvania.

The participants in the german, very many of whom also shared the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Sprunt and Mr. and Mrs. Emerson, were:

Miss Bailey, of Winston, with Mr. James Cowan; Miss Ashton, of Tarboro, with Mr. Robert Nash; Miss Helene Trenholm, of New York, with Mr. J. M. Stevenson Jr; Miss Hawkins, of Tarboro, with Mr. W. C. Crow; Miss Marie Murchison, of New York, with Mr. M. C. Elliott; Miss Lewis, of New York, with Dr. G. K. Collier; Miss Busbee, of Raleigh, with Mr. Thomas W. Davis; Miss Hawley, of Fayetteville, with Mr. E. J. Ward; Miss Bryan, of Tarboro, with Mr. Harry Latham; Miss Baker, of Charleston, with Mr. O. A. Wiggins, Jr.; Miss Mary Jennings Bellamy with Mr. F. N. DeRosset, Miss Nellie Emerson with Mr. H. J. McMillan, Jr., Miss Anita DeRosset with Mr. Geo. Chadbourn, Miss Della Clark with Mr. J. C. Angel, Miss Nessie Cotchett with Mr. M. D. Emerson, Miss Elliott Emerson with Mr. Champ McD. Davis, Miss Lucile Emerson with Mr. Clayton Giles, Jr., Miss Lucy Latham with Mr. Geo. P. James; Miss Anna Peck with Mr. H. B. Peschau; Miss McRee with Mr. McR. Hatch; Miss Mary Borden with Mr. E. A. Metts; Miss Jennie Peck with Mr. A. B. Elliott; Miss Olive Armstrong with Mr. James Cotchett; Miss Kate Harlowe with Mr. Dawson Latham; Miss Katharine Maffitt with Mr S. P. Collier; Miss Sue McQueen with Mr. William J. Bellamy; Miss Lola Martin with Mr. Arthur Belden; Miss Kate Harriss with Mr. Graham Woodard; Miss Octavia Boatwright with Mr. Robt. Rawles.

Stags—Mr. Pride Thomas, Mr. E. A. Lockett, Mr. I. Harris and Mr. Marsden Bellamy, Jr.

IT WAS A LITERARY PARTY.

Miss Pearl Wescott Entertained Friends Thursday Night at Her Home on Fourth Street.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Wescott, No. 211 South Fourth street, was the scene of quite an enjoyable social gathering of the friends of their charming daughter, Miss Pearl Wescott, on last Thursday night. It was a "literary party."

The apartments were tastefully decorated and Miss Pearl was assisted in receiving the guests by her sister Miss Nessie. There were many delightful features of entertainment, the principal one of which was the writing of answers to a number of historic questions. There were first prizes for the lady and gentleman answering the most questions. Miss Belle Gore bore off the lady's prize, a handsome sterling silver nail file. Mr. Eugene Smith won the first gentleman's prize, a grip tag, and the booby, a jumping jack, fell to the lot of Miss Jennie Bell.

When the prizes had been awarded and the merriment over the contest had subsided, the guests were ushered into the dining room where dainty refreshments were elegantly served.

Police Court Yesterday.

Only one case engaged the attention of the Mayor at yesterday morning's Police Court. Emma Young, for drunkenness and disorderly conduct was sentenced to ten days or pay a fine of five dollars. She could not pay the fine, was committed to the city prison, and later discharged upon a promise to leave town.

THE STATE UNIVERSITY DRAMATIC CLUB.

Scored a Great Success at the Opera House Last Night—A Fashionable Audience Delighted.

Wilmington theatre-goers last night enjoyed a rare treat at the Opera House. The occasion was the first appearance here this season of the University of North Carolina Dramatic Club.

"The Little Rebel" and "Evening Dress" were the farces presented by the club, both of which, when considered from a standpoint of good acting and the approval of the audience, as manifested by frequent and hearty applause, were a thorough success in every way.

The plays possess strong points of merit unquestionably. "The 'Little Rebel," by J. Sterling Coyne, is a one act farce, the scene being a London drawing-room. The following is the cast of characters:

Stephen Poppincourt, Mr. E. A. Lockett; *Arthur Ormeston*, Mr. G. Woodard; *Mrs. Wingrove*, Mr. C. D. Gruver; *Laura*, Mr. J. R. Carr; *Kitty Vinks (Maid)*, Mr. I. Harris.

The farce has to do with the love affairs of one Laura Wingrove. Her mother, Mrs. Wingrove "a flirtacious and scatter-brained widow" falls in love with Arthur Ormeston, Laura's sweetheart, who had been sent to Mrs. Wingrove to smooth over certain differences which had arisen between daughter and mother. Mrs. Wingrove finally realizing that she has no chance of winning Arthur's love, plans to revenge herself by wedding her daughter to Mr. Stephen Poppincourt, who is desperately in love with Laura.

Laura's skillful trickery and the assistance of her maid, Kitty Vinks, who loves "one far across the seas," finally brings all to a general reconciliation; and Laura is engaged to Arthur and Mrs. Wingrove to Poppincourt.

Evening Dress,

a two-act farce, by W. D. Howells, has to do chiefly with the finding of Edward Roberts' dress suit which the acting develops as having been misplaced by his artful young wife in order to prevent his attending an entertainment which she evidently preferred attending alone.

The cast of characters for this bright comedy was as follows: *Edward Roberts*, Mr. E. A. Lockett; *Willis Campbell*, Mr. G. Woodard; *Mrs. Roberts*, Mr. J. R. Carr; *Mrs. Campbell*, Mr. I. Harris; *Bella (Maid)* Mr. C. D. Gruver.

Mr. E. A. Lockett's characterization of Poppincourt and Roberts was of a high order and clearly showed his talent as a Thespian.

Mr. Carr, in the parts of Laura and Mrs. Roberts, was particularly good. He deserves great credit for his acting. For a male to wear feminine attire is a difficult feat to perform gracefully, under any circumstances, but to act the part as did Messrs. Carr, Gruver and Harris is indeed beyond the reach of the ordinary professionals. Mr. Graham Woodard's acting was of a high order.

The organization of the club is as follows; Director, Mr. R. H. Graves; manager, Mr. G. D. Vick; stage manager, Mr. M. Bellamy, Jr.

APPROACHING CONTEST.

Captain Sinclair is Getting His Team in Shape for The Big Fayetteville Football Game.

Capt. Sinclair is losing no time in making every preparation for a victory of the O. A. N. football eleven over the Fayetteville team in the game which is to be played on the grounds of the latter or New Year's day. He had his men out for practice again last night and reports that they are getting themselves in good shape for the coming struggle.

A letter was received from the Fayetteville team yesterday, inclosing a guarantee of expenses, etc., as was demanded by Capt. Sinclair, and now the game is assured.

The regular team will be picked after to-morrow night's practice, and while the average weight of the team will not exceed 155 pounds, the O. A. N.'s will play a snappy game and give the Fayetteville boys the battle of their lives.

The team will leave for Fayetteville over the C. F. & Y. V. railroad Monday morning and will return in the evening. Friends of the eleven may confidently expect a victory.

"The Teaching of English."

The *News and Observer* of yesterday refers to the paper read by Prof. Washington Catlett before the Association of Academies in Raleigh on Thursday as follows:

"Principal Washington Catlett, of Wilmington, read a scholarly, thoughtful paper upon 'Teaching of English.'

"He emphasized the importance of the subject, the relation of English to the classics, the value of spelling and the number of things which may be taught in connection, the value of good reading and the possibility of combining the studies of English and history. Technical grammar he declared must be taught, and composition work must be attended to."

Watch Services To-night,

As heretofore announced, a number of the churches will hold services to-night to watch the old year out and see the new year in. Grace and Bladen street Methodist churches are among the number. The services will be from 11:30 until a little past midnight.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Register of Deeds Biddle yesterday issued a marriage license to a colored couple.

— Rev. R. F. Bumpass, P. E., will hold the quarterly meeting at Magnolia, January 7th and 8th, and at Richlands, January 14th and 15th.

— The regular, *bona fide* circulation of THE MORNING STAR is much larger than that of any other daily newspaper published in Wilmington.

— There were no changes in the cotton and naval stores markets yesterday. Only 145 bales of cotton were received against 600 bales same day last year.

— Grace Methodist Church watch night service will begin at 11.30 o'clock to-night. The watch night service of Market Street Church will commence half an hour later.

— The Mutual Life Insurance Company, of New York, makes an important announcement to the public in the advertising columns of the STAR, through its general agent, Mr. F. H. Hyatt, Columbia, S. C.

— The Kinston *Free Press* mentions the marriage there yesterday of Miss Ida May Turnage to Mr. James N. Bryant, of Wilmington, now a resident of Kinston. Mr. and Mrs. Bryant left after the marriage to spend a few days in Wilmington.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Some Applications for Liquor Licenses Granted, Others Refused—Meeting Adjourned Until To-day.

Pursuant to the adjournment Thursday night, the Board of Aldermen met yesterday at 12.30 o'clock at the call of the Mayor.

Members present were Aldermen West, Montgomery, Taylor, MacRae, Hanby, Spencer, Worth and Sprunt. The object of the meeting was stated, and a number of the rejected applications for renewal of liquor licenses in their amended form, were taken up.

Alderman Taylor stated that the Board had supreme control in the matter of renewing the licenses, and for that reason it was unnecessary that the location be specifically defined as was referred to in his resolution Thursday night. This was the prevailing sentiment, and the clerk was instructed to read the applications, with the endorsements thereon.

The applications were read and licenses granted by the Board, as follows:

F. W. Ortmann, J. G. Kuhlken, Tippett and Sikes, Sternberger Bros., J. W. Duls, C. P. B. Mahler, M. F. Croom & Co., J. L. Croom, Agt., H. W. Konig, J. H. Boesch, J. H. Brunjes, John. H. Kuch, G. W. Linder & Co., D. N. Chadwick, N. J. Burch & Co., R. W. Wallace & Co., N. B. Rankin, George H. Heyer, W. V. Hardin, T. E. Nixon & Co., M. O'Brien, Gieschen Bros., Chas. Richters, J. D. Steljes, C. Valaer, T. E. Mayer, T. J. Gore, B. H. J. Ahrens, Sol Bear & Co., I. B. Rhodes, N. Politz, B. Bellois, Frank P. Lamb, Jurgen Haar, W. A. Vollers, F. Richter, Agt., Bartholomay Brewing Co.

The applications of M. Schnibben, corner Sixth and Red Cross streets; E. P. H. Strunck, 801 South Fifth street, and E. P. H. Strunck, 501 South Front street, were disallowed on motion of Alderman Taylor, for reasons manifest to the Board.

On motion of Alderman Worth, it was decided to retain Mr. W. H. Struthers in the city clerk and treasurer's office until the first Monday in February, up to which time his services will be required in settling city taxes.

On motion, the Board took a recess until 5.30 in the afternoon, at which time it was expected that those who had failed to hand in their applications would present them.

The Board met again at 5.30 in the afternoon, but a quorum not being present, it was again adjourned until 12 o'clock to-day.

A number of those whose applications have not been approved, by reason of the location of their places of business, have employed counsel and these were present last night, but were unable to present their arguments in the absence of a quorum.

They will probably be heard at a special meeting of the board to-day, which has been called for 12 o'clock by the Mayor.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—9 bales cotton, 49 casks spirits turpentine, 2 barrels tar.

W., C. & A. Railroad—82 bales cotton, 10 casks spirits turpentine, 27 barrels rosin, 148 barrels tar, 7 barrels crude turpentine.

Carolina Central Railroad—22 casks spirits turpentine, 11 barrels rosin.

C. F. & Y. V. Railroad—10 bales cotton, 10 casks spirits turpentine, 26 barrels tar.

W., N. & N. Railroad—6 bales cotton, 52 barrels rosin.

Steamer W. T. Daggett—20 casks spirits turpentine, 70 barrels rosin, 18 barrels tar, 21 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—23 casks spirits turpentine, 182 barrels rosin, 71 barrels tar, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer Driver—4 bales cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 50 barrels rosin, 139 barrels tar, 3 barrels crude turpentine.

Schooner Berta, M. T.—34 bales cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 27 barrels rosin, 3 barrels tar.

Total—Cotton, 145 bales; spirits turpentine, 142 casks; rosin, 485 barrels; tar, 418 barrels; crude turpentine, 33 barrels.

A PRETTY CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL LAST NIGHT.

Given by the Pupils and Teachers of St. Paul's Lutheran Church — An Elaborate Programme.

The Sunday School room of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, in the Parochial Academy building, corner Sixth and Princess streets, was the scene of a pretty Christmas entertainment last night, given by the Sunday School. The programme was a very elaborate one, and consisted of music, responsive reading and recitations, concluding with a distribution of gifts by the teachers to their respective classes, from a very pretty and richly decorated Christmas tree.

A pleasing feature of the evening was an address by the pastor, Rev. A. G. Voigt, D. D.

The following programme was rendered:

Anthem, by choir.
Song, "Beautiful Bethlehem Story."
Prayer.
Song, "Ring Out The Glad Bells."
Responsive reading.
Song, "So Long Ago."
Recitation, by Chas. Richter.
Song, by infant class with recitations.
Responsive reading.
Song, "Peace on Earth."
Address, by pastor.
Recitation, Mary Ittner and Florence Wessell.
Song, "Ring The Merry Xmas Bells."
Recitation, Annie Tienken, Caroline Voigt, Gesine Mahr, Elizabeth Voigt.
Song, "Bright Orient Stars."
Recitation, Ethel Counts.
Christmas offering and song by infant class.
Lighting of tree and distribution of gifts.

Just before the general distribution of gifts, Rev. Mr. Voigt presented to Mr. John Haar, superintendent of the Sunday school, a valuable silk umbrella, which he stated was an evidence of the appreciation of the Sunday school for his faithfulness in the work.

Mr. Haar accepted this handsome token of appreciation and in turn presented Rev. Dr. Voigt with a similar gift from the ladies of the Sunday school.

The musical part of the programme was rendered by the children and the regular choir of the Sunday school, Miss Minnie Glameyer presiding at the organ.

The attendance was large and the entertainment was thoroughly enjoyed.

DELIBERATE MURDER.

A Colored Man Shot From Ambush in Wake County.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., December 30.—Last evening, in this county, Tom Lucas, colored, was shot from ambush and killed, while returning to his home. It was a deliberate murder. The murderer is unknown.

To City Subscribers.

City subscribers are earnestly requested to report promptly at the STAR office every failure of the carriers to deliver their papers. In all such cases steps will be taken to insure promp and regular delivery.

Church Notices.

Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets. There will be the usual services on Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

The Seamen's Bethel: Regular religious services will be held to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Seamen and rivermen are especially invited. All welcome.

First Baptist Church, corner of Market and Fifth streets, Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell, pastor. Eleven A. M., "Turning Over a New Leaf." At 7.30 P. M., "A Good Start for '99."

First Presbyterian Church, Rev. Peyton H. Hoge, D. D., pastor. Divine service at 11.00 A. M. and 8.00 P. M. Sunday School at 3.30 P. M. Prayer meeting on Thursday at 8.00 P. M. Seats free.

Rev. R. F. Bumpass, presiding elder of the Wilmington district, will preach at Market Street Methodist Church, in this city, on Sunday morning at 11 A. M. and at Bladen Street Church at night.

South Side Baptist Church, corner Fifth and Wooster streets, Rev. F. H. Farrington, Pastor. Services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School at 3.30 p. m. Weekly Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 7.30.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. A. D. McClure, pastor. Preaching at 11 A M. and 7.30 P. M. Sabbath School at 3.30 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday, 8.00 P. M. A hearty welcome for every one.

Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Rev. P. C. Morton, Pastor. Preaching every Sabbath at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School at 3.30 p. m. Christian Endeavor Society every Wednesday night. Sewing School Tuesday and Saturday at 3.30 to 4.00 p. m.

Grace Methodist E. Church, South, northeast corner of Grace and Fourth streets, Rev. A. P. Tyer, Pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 a. m. and 8.15 p. m. Sunday school at 4.30 p. m. Experience meeting at 10 a. m. in the lecture room. Weekly Prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday evening at 8.15 o'clock. Strangers and visitors are cordially invited to attend these services

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

As Monday next, the 2nd of January, will be observed as a legal holiday, the opening of the Circuit Criminal Court for this county will be deferred until next day, Tuesday, at 10 o'clock A. M. Jurors, witnesses and defendants will take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

By order of Hon. Dossey Battle, Judge of Circuit Criminal Court. W. R. FRENCH, Clerk Circuit Criminal Court.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 28, '98. de 31 2t



A Toothsome Morsel

from our rich, rare and juicy Steaks, Chops and Roasts are a pleasing change from the rich holiday fare that you enjoy during the festive season. We will cut you a succulent, choice and tender Beefsteak from the sirloin or a prime Roast that will excite the pandered appetite to enjoy a healthful and nourishing meal.

I. B. RHODES.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

N. F. PARKER.

Furniture, Furniture Novelties No. 17 S. Front St.

Tabourettes, Fancy Rockers, Mirror Tables, Ladies' Desks' AT COST till the New Year.

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DWELLING FOR RENT.



HOUSE on northeast corner Tenth and Princess streets, four rooms and kitchen. Everything in good order. Apply to D. O'CONNOR, Real Estate Agent.

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A CARD.

The undersigned will be a candidate for nomination by the Democratic caucus for Doorkeeper of the House of Representatives in the coming session of North Carolina General Assembly. Respectfully, JAMES DIAL.

PATES, N. C., Dec. 24, 1898. de 27 1w

A Place for a Boy.

A boy who is experienced in use of numbering machines, and who can feed Job Presses, is wanted at the STAR OFFICE.

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A REACTION HAS NOW TAKEN PLACE.

Holiday goods all sold. We have on consignment **150 Barrels New Mullets** that must be sold Also, Flour, Rice, Coffee, Tobacco, Soap, Starch, Lye, Molasses and Syrup.

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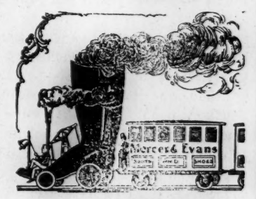
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LIVERPOOL SALT.

1500 Bags 100 Salt.
1000 Bags 125 Salt.
1480 Bags 180 Salt.
1150 Bags 200 Salt.
150 Bags Table Salt.
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WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 31.

THE PROBLEM OF THE RACES.

The New England Society, of Charleston, gave its seventy-ninth annual banquet on the night of the 22nd inst. The principal address was delivered by Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, who paid beautiful tribute to the South and incidentally referred to the problem of the races. The following extract includes his tribute to the South and his allusions to the race problems:

"The American people have learned to know, as never before, the quality of the Southern stock, and to value its noble contribution to the American character; its courage in war; its attachment to home and State; its love of rural life; its capacity for great affection and generous emotion; its aptness for command; above all, its constancy, that virtue above all virtues, without which no people can long be either great or free. After all the fruit of this vine has a flavor not to be found in other gardens. In the great and magnificent future which is before our country, you are to contribute a large share both of strength and beauty.

"The best evidence of our complete reconciliation is that there is no subject that we need to hurry by with our fingers on our lips. The time has come when Americans, North, South, East and West, may discuss any question of of public interest in a friendly and quiet spirit, without heat, each understanding the other, each striving to help the other, as men who are bearing a common burden and looking forward with a common hope. I know that is the feeling of the people of the North. I think I know that is the feeling of the people of the South In our part of the country we have to deal with the great problems of the strife between labor and capital, and of the government of cities where vast masses of men born on foreign soil, of different nationalities and of different races, strangers to American principles, to American ideas, to American history, are gathered together to exercise the unaccustomed functions of self government in an almost unrestricted liberty. You have to deal with a race problem rendered more difficult still by a still larger difference in the physical and intellectual qualities of the two races whom Providence has brought together.

"I would be false to my own manhood if I failed to express my profound regret and sorrow for some occurrences which have taken place recently, both in the North and in the South. I am bound to say that, considering all the circumstances, the North has been the worse offender.

"It is well known (or if it be not well known I am willing to make it known) that I look with inexpressible alarm and dread upon the prospect of adding to our population millions of persons dwelling in tropical climes, aliens in race and in religion, either to share in our self-government, or, what is worse still, to set an example to mankind of the subjection of one people to another. We have not yet solved the problem of how men of different races can dwell together in the same land in accordance with our principles of republican rule and republican liberty. I am not one of those who despair of the solution of that problem in justice and in freedom. I do not look upon the dark side when I think of the future of our beloved land. I count it the one chief good fortune of my own life that, as I grow older, I look out on the world with hope and not despair. We have made wonderful advances within the lifetime of the youngest of us. While we hear from time to time of occurrences much to the deplored and utterly to be condemned, yet, on the whole, are advancing quite as rapidly as could be expected to the time when these races will live together on American soil in freedom, in honor and in peace, every man enjoying his just right wherever the American Constitution reigns and wherever the American flag floats—when the influence of intelligence, of courage, of energy, inspired by a lofty patriotism and by a Christian love will have its full and legitimate effect, not through disorder, or force, or lawlessness, but under the silent and sure law by which always the superior leads and the inferior follows. The time has already come when throughout large spaces in our country both races are dwelling together in peace and harmony. I believe that condition of things to be the rule in the South, and not to be the exception. We have a right to claim that the country and the South shall be judged by the rule and not the exception."

As far as the tribute to the South is concerned this is as clever and even more clever than anything that Mr. McKinley said on his recent Southern tour, and it is as gratifying as it comes from an honored representative and spokesman of a section where there was once little friendship for the South and little disposition to judge her fairly. This didn't arise from any innate feeling of enmity to the people of the South, but from feelings that were instilled into the New England people on the subject of slavery, of which they learned only from books written by misinformed or prejudiced persons, and also from newspapers and lecturers who gathered their stocks of information from such books. One of these, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," which did more perhaps than any other one production ("Helper's Crisis" coming next) to create antipathy to the South and precipitate the war between the States, was written by a person who at the time of the writing had never been in the South and had no personal knowledge of the institution of slavery or of the relations between master and slave. We say, therefore, that it is particularly gratifying that such glowing tribute to the virtues of the Southern people should come from one of the most honored representatives of a people, many of whom were educated to abhor the South. It is the more gratifying again because it is true, and a public declaration of a truth by a man who was never remarkable for flattery, but on the contrary for a blunt expression of his real sentiments.

But there is more than this tribute to the Southern people in this speech for it recognizes the fact that we are confronted by an embarrassing race problem, and is an admission that we have handled it with admirably good management. It is indirectly an admission that it is we and we alone who must solve this question and we and we alone who have the right to solve it in our own way and as we think best for both races. And that is the conclusion that every sensible and patriotic man in the North will come to, if he has not already come to it.

We expect that if Senator Hoar's opinion were asked he would agree with Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Agriculture, who in a recent interview said "Southern men understand the negro better than we of the North do," which is a solid, rock-bottom fact. They understand the negro better than the people of the North do, and they understand the negro better than the average negro understands himself, and as a consequence wherever the negroes have trusted themselves to the guidance of the Southern people who know them, and desire their welfare, there they have fared best and are most prosperous. Observant men from the North who have travelled or sojourned in the South have discovered this, and this perhaps has had much to do with the change of sentiment in the North on the race question.

We are not surprised that Senator Hoar should have admired the successful management of the race problem in the South when it is remembered that the South was not only confronted by its management, but also confronted by the thoroughly organized opposition of the party, to which Senator Hoar belongs, which for many years had unbridled control of the federal government and used all the expedients possible, and all the machinery of Government to prevent the solution of that question in the way the Southern people wanted to solve it. They had not only the problem to solve but to overcome the Northern opposition, in both of which they succeeded, and now have the satisfaction of having their courage, wisdom and perseverance applauded by some of the men who fought them most stubbornly and did their utmost to foil them.

Time is not only a great healer of wounds, but also a great teacher when people are disposed to learn. Mr. McKinley has learned something of the South, Secretary Wilson has, Senator Hoar has, and so have the American people. And they will learn more as the Republic grows older.

IN A BAD TANGLE.

Matters are in a worse tangle in the Philippines and in Cuba now than they have been at any time since the close of the war with Spain, and much if not all of this might have been avoided by clever management. This Government remained inactive and permitted the Philippine insurgents to take possession of the island of Panay, the second in importance in the Philippine group, and capture the city of Iloilo, the second city of importance in the group, when a few hundred men might have been sent there to receive the surrender of the Spanish garrison. The failure to do that looks like the sheerest negligence, when enough was known of the intentions of the insurgents and of their motives, too, for carrying the war into that island.

Gen. Merritt in an interview in Chicago expresses the suspicion that the Spaniards surrendered to the insurgents for the express purpose of complicating the situation for us, which is an additional reason why this Government should have been active to anticipate such a contingency, and avert such complication. It may turn out all right. The insurgents may have accomplished what they desired in the capture of Iloilo, which will enable them to claim sovereignty by right of conquest, refusing, of course, to recognize Spain's right to sell, but all this might have been avoided if this Government had moved promptly and taken possession of the city before the insurgents had time to organize and carry out their plans.

In the management of the Havana affair—the taking possession of the city next Monday—little tact seems to have been shown in the refusal to prevent Cuban troops to take part in the parade, if there is to be any parade, which might be dispensed with altogether, and then there would have been no ground for objection and hard feeling in the war of discrimination, and ignoring the Cubans who certainly are entitled to at least courteous consideration, which does seem to have been accorded to them. They are indignant and they have a right to be indignant.

IT PERFORMED.

The Afro-American Council performed in Washington Thursday and the sable orators indulged in some more inflammatory remarks. Bishop Walters who some time ago at a similar meeting gave vehement expression to his pent-up feelings, was largely in evidence, and aggressive although not quite so bellicose. If Thos. T. Fortune was there they muzzled him and kept him in the background, at least he didn't perform quite so friskly as at the recent meeting in Washington, where he turned himself loose and exclaimed that he felt like "stabbing" somebody. It was fortunate that Fortune didn't repeat, for there was enough of the foolish without his insanie contribution.

The negroes who are doing this agitating and participating in these meetings are all Northern negroes, who have very little personal interest in "reforms in the South," and are moving without the co-operation of Southern negroes (save, perhaps, a few politicians), and are not consulting them. Possibly they may not be aware of the fact that they are doing more harm than good by their rabid utterances at these meetings, and are making the white people not only of the South but a very large number of the white people of the North more determined in the resolution that they and others who share their sentiments shall be reduced to the very least possible factor in our political affairs.

The more they agitate on the lines they are pursuing the more apparent the necessity becomes for drawing the color line tighter to more thoroughly eliminate them and others like them from the field of political action. The worst enemy the negro has to-day is the incendiary rattle-brain who rants the loudest for him.

A SUCCESSFUL CORPORATION.

The following, which was suggested by the purchase of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad, by the Atlantic Coast Line, we clip from the Raleigh *News and Observer*:

The purchase of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad by the owners of the Atlantic Coast Line is a guarantee to the people living along the line of that road that it is in the hands of wise, progressive and conservative railroad managers. They will manage it not alone for the benefit of the stockholders but also for the developement of the section through which it runs.

This is the first raiload the Atlantic Coast Line owns or has purchased that runs from the seashore to the mountains. To show how successfully it has operated, and how handsomely it has paid all its stockholders, we give the results on their main line, the Wilmington and Weldon railroad. After the war, the stock in that road sold for forty cents in the dollar, and most of the present stockholders purchased at that figure. After it was purchased by the present capable owners it began to rise until it was soon above par. Since that time—in less than thirty years—the stockholders have received dividends that are as large, if not larger, than have been paid by any railroad in America. The first dividend was one of 100 per cent. in the Atlantic Coast Line stock. The second dividend was 100 per cent. in debenture bonds. The third was 100 per cent. in the Atlantic Coast Line stock. The capital is now virtually four times what it was originally and hereafter dividends will be paid on $400 for every $100 original stock or on every $40 invested in the purchase of the same by the present holder.

This year the road has paid a dividend of six per cent. on the Wilmington and Weldon stock, six per cent. on the Atlantic Coast Line first issue stock, interest on seven percent debenture bonds, and in addition this year they have issued dividends in bonds and stock of 33 1-3 per cent. and a second issue of Atlantic Coast Line stock of 100 per cent—that is to say 151 1-3 per cent. has been paid this year on every share of stock, which, as each have cost less than $40 on an average, is over 375 per cent. upon the investment.

In the history of railroads we do not know of an investment that has paid so handsomely. Men who have done this in the Eastern part of the State will soon make the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley system strong and valuable.

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It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it. Anybody can try it who has Lame Back and Weak Kidneys, Malaria or nervous troubles. We mean he can cure himself right away by taking Electric Bitters. This medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to Liver and Kidneys, is a blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures Constipation, Headache, Fainting Spells, Sleeplessness and Melancholy. It is purely vegetable, a mild laxative, and restores the system to its natural vigor. Try Electric Bitters and be convinced that they are a miracle worker. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50c. a bottle at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store. †

Pains in the chest when a person has a cold indicate a tendency toward pneumonia. A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on to the chest over the seat of pain will promptly relieve the pain and prevent the threatened attack of pneumonia. This same treatment will cure a lame back in a few hours. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Monroe *Journal*: Mr. Albert McCall, well known in Monroe and Union county, died at his home northeast of town last Tuesday evening, He was sixty-four years of age.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: The payment of pension warrants by the State Treasurer began only fifteen days ago, but already over one-third of them have been settled for. Up to date $45,000, in round numbers have been paid out for pensions. The total amount, it will be remembered, is $120,000. The biggest day so far was Tuesday, the payments that day amounted to $9,288.

— Monroe *Enquirer*: There has been a great mad-dog excitement in the eastern portion of Monroe town ship recently, and a number of rabid dogs have been killed. —— William Pierce, who was convicted at the last term of Superior Court for burning Mr. George Bailey's gin house, in Marshville township, in November, 1897, and was sentenced to five years on the county chain, appealed to the Supreme Court. Pierce's case was heard last week and the decision of the lower court was confirmed, and Pierce will have to serve his time.

— Raleigh *Post*: Captain W. H. Day, who will succeed Mr. J. M. Mewborne as Superintendent of the Penitentiary, will receive his commission to day (Friday), so it is stated. Capt. Day expects to take charge of the institution January 1st. He is now making his arrangements to take charge of the institution by that date. —— The North Carolina State Horticultural Association will hold a convention at Southern Pines, N. C., on Friday and Saturday, Janury 6th and 7th, 1899, and they are inviting the farmers to attend that they may learn what has been and can be done in the cultivation of fruits.

— Wadesboro *Messenger*: Monday morning Hamp Haire, a young man about 21 years old, who worked at the silk mill, was shot by Alec. Hutchinson, aged 19. From what we can learn of the affair the shooting was entirely without provocation. The young men met near the silk mill and Hutchingson forbade Haire's approaching him. Haire, thinking he was joking, continued to walk toward him when Hutchinon raised a pistol he held in his hand and shot him. The ball struck Harie just under the shoulder blade, inflicting a wound that may prove serious, though, as yet, there have been no alarming symptoms. Hutchinson fled immediately after the shooting and has not yet been arrested. —— Just before day last Friday morning the gin house of Mr. W. A. Webster, of Mangum, Richmond county, together with its contents, consisting of a gin, press, a lot of old machinery, 5,000 bushels of cotton seed and about two bales of cotton in the seed, was destroyed by fire. The origin of the fire is not certainly known, but it is believed to have been the work of an incendiary. Mr. Webster estimates his loss at $1,600; insurance, $800. —— Register of Deeds Benton is now engaged in registering a deed of indenture, on which there is $4,048 worth of revenue stamps. It is a deed of five roads in this State and South Carolina to the Atlantic Coast Line system and includes the Cheraw & Darlington road. The stamps representing the $4,048 are placed on the back of the pages of the deed. There are seventeen $50 stamps, amounting to $850, three hundred and nineteen $10 stamps, amounting to $3,190, and eight $1 stamps, amounting to $8.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— The cost of the war with Spain, to the close of the current fiscal year, is estimated at $250,000,000. The cost of its consequences connot be estimated, but it will be great.—*Philadelphia Ledger, Ind.*

—— Senator Morrill, who has just passed away in his eighty-ninth year, deserves a place beside Gladstone and ahead of Bismarck with regard to the endurance of his mental powers. His head was clearer a week before he died then the heads of a good many of his younger colleagues are to-day.—*Norfolk Landmark, Dem.*

—— Col. Bryan is extremely fortunate it some of the enemies he is making. A week or so ago Mrs. Lease assailed him, and now Davis H. Waite (Bloody Bridles) is thundering against him. Waite, the other day, declared that to follow Col. Bryan's advice respecting Porto Rico and the Philippines would be "the acme of national infamy." There is, therefore, an added reason why Col. Bryan's advice should be followed, — *Savannah News, Dem.*

—— Mr. Harry A. Garfield, president of the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce, holds that Consular Reform is a necessity of our growth as a commercial Power—that we need representatives abroad who would keep the merchants at home promptly informed respecting trade opportunities. If commercial expansion can reform the consular system, why may it not exert a similar reformatory influence upon the civil service at home? — *Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

EXPOSURE to a sudden climate change produces cold in the head and catarrh is apt to follow Provided with Ely's Cream Balm you are armed against Nasal Catarrh. Druggists sell it 50 cents, or Ely's Brothers, 56 Warren Street, New York, will mail the 50. or 10. trial size. The Balm cures without pain, does not irritate or cause sneezing. It spreads itself over an irritated and angry surface, relieving immediately the painful inflammation, cleanses and cures. Cream Balm quickly cures the cold. †

Two Pointed Questions Answered.

What is the use of making a better article than your competitor if you can not get a better price for it?

Ans.—As there is no difference in the price the public will buy only the better, so that while our profits may be smaller on a single sale they will be much greater in the aggregate.

How can you get the public to know your make is the best?

If both articles are brought prominently before the public both are certain to be tried and the public will very quickly pass judgment on them and use only the better one.

This explains the large sale on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The people have been using it for years and have found that it can always be depended upon. They may occationally take up with some fashionable novelty put forth with exaggerated claims, but are certain to return to the one remedy that they know to be reliable, and for coughs, colds and croup there is nothing equal to Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For sale by R. R. BELLAMY, Druggist. †

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TWINKLINGS.

— Dentist—"When did your teeth first begin troubling you?" Patient—"When I was cutting them."—*Jewish Comment.*

— Husband—"I'd like to be able to live my past life over again." Wife—"I am surprised at you, John. Haven't you blundered enough as it is?"—*Life.*

— He—"Can you tie a lovers' knot, Miss Willing?" She—"No; but I can give you the address of a clergyman who, I am sure, would be glad to oblige you."

— Attorney—"One more question. Did you ever steal a horse?" Witness—"Do you think I am a ghost? No, sir. I live in Texas."—*Philadelphia North American.*

— Ikey—"Give me a penny, fadder, and I buy me an orange off dat man outside." Heimstadter—"Go and make faces at him, Ikey; may be he will throw one at you."—*Tit-Bits.*

— In Kansas: Friend—"Don't you think a man may be saved, no matter what his religion is?" Deacon—"Yes; but I ain't quite prepared to say the same thing about his politics." —*Puck.*

— "You can't tell wnat is going to turn up in politics," remarked the sage. "That isn't the worst of it," remarked the New York statesman. "You can't tell who is going to be turned down."—*Washington Star.*

— Mr. Crimsonbeak—"Do you believe in the saying, 'It never rains but it pours?'" Mrs. Crimsonbeak—"Indeed, I do! A man always loses his temper and his collar button at the same time."—*Yonkers Statesman.*

— Mrs. Potts—"It was rather late when you came home last night. Where were you?" Mr. Potts—"Why, my dear, Wednesday night is the regular weekly lodge meeting night, you know, and ——" Mrs. Potts—"Yes, of course, I know; but did you win or lose?"

— Miss Goler—"Mr. Downtuch, you are always saying how fond you are of foot ball; but I never remember seeing you play." Downtuch—"No; I am thoroughly convinced that I am fond of the game; but I haven't the courage of my convictions, you see." —*Boston Transcript.*

RICHARD III.

He Never Injured the Masses and Was Not Unpopular With Them.

If Richard be tried by the only proper standard, that of his own time, he will be found to be not more but less cruel and bloody than either his predecessors or those who came after him. The act which has especially blackened his memory is the mysterious removal or murder of the princes. Yet Clifford, backed by Margaret of Anjou, had killed in cold blood Richard's brother, the Earl of Ruthland, a boy of 16, while Henry VII imprisoned and executed the feeble minded Earl of Warwick, the son of Clarence. In mere numbers of executions, excluding, of course, on both sides those who were taken in open rebellion, Richard has much less to answer for than Queen Margaret or Henry VII and far less than Henry VIII, who put to death anybody who happened to be distasteful to him on political, personal or religious grounds. There was no public opinion in that day against putting to death any one who had played and lost in the great struggle of politics. Executions were a recognized part of the business. When the game went against a statesman in those days, as Mr. Speaker Reed once said, he did not cross the aisle and take his place as the leader of his majesty's opposition; he was sent to the tower and had his head cut off. Autres temps, autres mœurs.

At every turn of the wheel in the long struggle between the Lancastrians and the Yorkists the victorious party always executed every leader of the other side upon whom they could lay hands. Such were the rules of the society and such the politics in which Richard was brought up, and he played according to those rules and without excess, paying the final forfeit himself with undaunted courage.

Nothing is farther from the truth than the notion that Richard was unpopular with the masses of the people. He had never injured them, and they did not care how many nobles or princes he put to death.—Hon. Henry Cabot Lodge in Scribner's.

SANDBOX TREES.

The Gigantic Touch Me Nots of the Tropics Have Explosive Fruits.

Everybody is familiar with the "touch me not," the pretty jewel weed that grows along the side of water courses. When its seed pods are ripe, at the slightest touch they will explode, blowing the seeds in your face. The giant among them is the sandbox tree (Hura crepitans), a native of tropical America. Its furrowed fruits are as large as an orange. Cosmos of Paris thus describes this Krupp gun of the vegetable world:

"It is often cultivated as an ornamental tree, both in its native country and in other parts of the globe, notably in certain gardens in the Indies. Its fruit looks on the outside something like a melon; it is formed exactly like that of our native euphorbias, of sections, which at maturity separate violently with so intense a report that it has been compared to the sound of a pistol, throwing its seed to a considerable distance.

"With the fruit a very pretty sandbox can be made by cutting a circular opening in the upper part, extracting the seeds and then covering the opening. The opposite side is perforated with little holes. A sandbox thus made is very difficult to keep, for the time always comes when, aided by the drying process, the sections suddenly split, with a characteristic sound.

"The violent splitting of the fruit of the sablier is explained very simply by a process analogous to that which causes the two halves of a split stick to curl apart and depends upon the unequal extensibility of the elements of the valves, which produces the mechanical effect due to it at the precise moment when the sutures, the lines of least resistance, are opened by the progress of desiccation."

No Duplicity Here.

The story is told of an English and an Irish trooper who were scouting against the Matabele in South Africa. A band of savages suddenly burst from behind some rocks and started for the men. They jumped upon their horses and fled over the rough country, but the Irishman kept falling to the rear of his companion.

"Confound you, Mike!" exclaimed the Englishman. "Ride, ride for your life! You'll be caught!"

"Go 'long wid you!" replied the Irish trooper, who was doing his best. "Do you think I'm throwin the race?"—Harper's Round Table.

Modest.

"No, I don't send any stories to The Monthly Bugle. I sent them some once, and they returned them without reading."

"How do you know the stories were not read?"

"Because they were returned."—Indianapolis Journal.

LINCOLN AT SCHOOL.

A Schoolmate of the President Tells of His Early Life.

Mr. George H. Yenowine contributes a paper on "The Birthplace of Lincoln" to St. Nicholas. Mr. Yenowine quotes the following from an old man named Austin Gollaher, who went to school with the emancipator: "Lincoln was an unusually bright boy, and he made good progress in his books—better than almost any one else in school—and he studied very hard, although he was young. He would get spice wood bushes and hack them up on a log and put a few of them in the fire at a time to make a light for him to read his books by. It did not make a very good light, but it was all he had at night. Young Lincoln was never good looking. He was angular and awkward. His mother was a rather slim woman of medium height. Tom Lincoln, his father, was tall. Abe was not very much like him, for Tom Lincoln had a fuller face and was of a heavier build."

In answer to a question as to Lincoln's brothers or sisters, the old man brightened up and said: "Oh, yes, he had a sister. Her name was Sally, and she was about my age. That was one reason why I thought so much of Abe. But when the Lincolns moved to Indiana I did not say goodby to either of them.

"I next heard of Lincoln several years afterward. It was said that he would make rails during the summer and thus earn money to go to school. Then I heard no more of Lincoln until he was nominated for president. I told the boys that no matter what happened I was going to vote for Abe. I said I was going to vote for him if it was the last act of my life, because I had played with him when a boy, and I was glad he had gone up in the world, and I did vote for him!" said the old man.

Not Full Yet.

The world is by no means full up yet. Queensland has still an area of 430,000,000 acres to a population of about 450,000 people. Its government has lately been offering more tempting conditions to settlers, who may now hold ordinary land for 20 years at a rental of threepence per acre, while "scrub land" may be selected in areas up to 10,000 acres and held for 30 years at an average rental per acre of very much less than a penny. This ought to be good news for many struggling for a bare living in the mother country. Of course the climatic conditions in many portions of the colony are trying, but so they are in western Australia, which at the present time is adding 750 per week to its population, and the revenue of which has been increasing at a rate far outstripping the calculations of its treasurer. But this may be only temporary, and it may be that Queensland will be the home of millions of our fellow countrymen after the golden age in the west of the colonial continent has passed away.—Westminster Gazette.

Millions Given Away.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all Diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on R. R. BELLAMY, Druggist, and get a trial bottle free. Regular size 50c. and $1. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded. †

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WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute	7	@	7¼
Standard	7½	@	7¾
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12	@	12½
Sides ℔ ℔		@	8
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6¼	@	6½
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	5½	@	5¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6	@	6½
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each		@	1 10
New New York, each		@	1 20
New City, each		@	1 10
BEESWAX ℔ ℔		@	22
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	5 00	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	15	@	18
Northern	20	@	25
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks	46	@	47
Virginia Meal	47	@	50
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	75	@	80
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	10½	@	11½
Dairy Cream		@	11
State		@	10½
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	12	@	16
Rio	7½	@	10
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch	18	@	20
EGGS—℔ dozen	16	@	17
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl.	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl.	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 75	@	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel		@	8 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	10
" Extra	4 35	@	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—			
Low grade		@	3 00
Choice		@	3 50
Straight	3 75	@	4 00
First Patent	4 50	@	5 00
GLUE—℔ ℔	7½	@	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White		@	50
Car-load, in brgs—White		@	46
Oats, from store	40	@	45
Oats, Rust Proof	40	@	45
Cow Peas	20	@	75
HIDES—℔ ℔—			
Green salted		@	6½
Dry flint		@	10
Dry salt		@	9
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s			
Clover Hay	50	@	75
Rice Straw	40	@	45
Eastern		@	75
Western		@	75
North River		@	75
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	1⅞	@	2
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	5	@	7
North Carolina	6	@	10½
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned.	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads		@	27
Porto Rico, in barrels		@	28
Sugar House, in hogsheads.	12	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	12	@	15
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	1 60	@	1 65
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess	10 50	@	11 00
Rump	10 50	@	11 00
Prime		@	10 50
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	@	22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	1 10
Liverpool	75	@	80
American	70	@	75
On 125 ℔ Sacks		@	47½
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00	@	6 50
Common	1 60	@	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50	@	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5⅝	@	5¾
Standard A		@	5¼
White Extra C	5¼	@	5½
Extra C, Golden		@	5
C, Yellow		@	4¾
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3¼	@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W O. barrel	6 00	@	14 09
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Prime		@	7 00
Mill, Fair		@	6 50
Common Mill	4 00	@	4 50
Inferior to ordinary		@	3 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed			
℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50	@	8 50
" Sap	5 00	@	6 09
5x24 Heart	4 50	@	5 00
" Sap	4 00	@	4 50
6x24 Heart	6 00	@	6 50
" Sap	5 00	@	5 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔		@	6
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 00	@	2 00
North Carolina	1 00	@	2 00
WOOL, per ℔—Unwashed	10	@	15

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 30.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Market firm at 42½ cents for machine-made casks and 42 cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Nothing doing.

TAR—Market firm at $1.10 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market firm at $1.30 per barrel for Hard, $2.30 for Dip and $2.30 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine quiet at 30¾@30¼c; rosin firm, at $1.15, $1.20; tar firm, $1.05; crude turpentine quiet, $1.40, $1.90, $1.90.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	142
Rosin	485
Tar	418
Crude Turpentine	33

Receipts same day last year.—42 casks spirits turpentine, 383 bbls rosin, 211 bbls tar, 13 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 5⅜c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	2 15-16 cts. ℔ ℔
Good Ordinary	4 5-16 " "
Low Middling	4 15-16 " "
Middling	5⅜ " "
Good Middling	5 11-16 " "

Same day last year middling 5 7-16c.

Receipts—145 bales; same day last year 600.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 45 to 55c per bushel of 28 pounds; extra prime, 60c; fancy, 65c. Virginia—Extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c; Spanish, 70@80c.

CORN—Firm, 45 to 50 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tidewater) 90c@$1.10; upland, 65@80c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 12 to 13c per pound; shoulders, 6 to 7c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.25; six-inch, $2.25 to 3.25, seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $2.50 to 6.50 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 30.—Money on call steady at 2@3 per cent., the last loan being at 2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3@3¾ per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 484¼@484½ for demand and at 481¾@482 for sixty days. Posted rates were 482½ and 485½. Commercial bills 480½@481. Silver certificates 59½@60½. Bar silver 59. Mexican dollars 46. Government bonds strong; U. S. new 3's—; U. S. new 4's, registered, 129; do. coupon, 129; U. S. 4's 111⅞; do. coupon, 113⅝; do. 2's 99½; U. S. 5's, registered, 112⅝; do. 5's coupon, 112¾. State bonds firm; N. C. 6's, 125; do. 4's, 104.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 30.—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine strong.

CHARLESTON, December 30.—Spirits turpentine firm at 40c bid; no sales. Rosin firm and unchanged; no sales.

SAVANNAH, December 30.—Spirits turpentine firm at 43½c; sales — casks; receipts 491 casks. Rosin firm and unchanged; no sales.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 30.—Cable accounts were unsatisfactory this morning and opened with prices uncharged to two points lower. Following the first call there was a further decline of two and three points, indications pointing to a liberal movement of cotton next week and outside speculation not cutting the figure relied upon by the leaders of the bull contingent. Wall street operators continued, to sustain a supporting relation to cotton, although this class of trading to-day was rather less than at any time since they began to give attention to the staple. Their subsiding interest was accounted for by the holidays at hand. The trading, generally, possibly for the same reason, was within conservative lines and the scope of fluctations for the entire session was only a matter of three points, with the market finally steady at a net loss of two and four points. There was very little disposition to sell cotton, notwithstanding the fact that estimates pointed to large receipts for to-morrow. Apart from the latter feature influences were generally of a bullish character,—increasing encouraging accounts as to the way the year is winding up in dry goods and cotton spinning centers in this country and abroad. Reports from Southern spot markets were also of a favorable character.

NEW YORK, December 30.—Cotton steady; middling uplands 5⅞c.

Cotton futures market closed steady; January 5.51c, February 5.53c, March 5.55c, April 5.58c, May 5.52c, June 5.65c, July 5.68c, August 5.71c, September 5.63c, October 5.65c; November 5.64c.

Spot cotton closed steady and unchanged; middling uplands 5⅞c; middling gulf 6⅛c; sales 741 bales.

Net receipts 770 bales; gross receipts 2,884 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 37,552 bales; exports to Great Britain 60,885 bales; exports to France 100 bales; exports to the Continent 1,058 bales; stock 1,291,603 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 294,159 bales; exports to Great Britain 225,799 bales; exports to France 25,074 bales; exports to the Continent 83,942 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 5,740,483 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,183,760 bales; exports to France 457,213 bales; exports to the Continent 1,490,438 bales.

December 30.—Galveston, steady at 5 7-16c, net receipts 15,439 bales; Norfolk, steady at 5⅜c, net receipts 2,272 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 5¾c, net receipts — bales; Boston, steady at 5⅝c, net receipts 1,757 bales; Wilmington, firm at 5⅜c, net receipts 145 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 6⅛c, net receipts 21 bales; Savannah, quiet at 5 1-16c, net receipts 2,769 bales; New Orleans, steady at 5 3-16c, net receipts 11,792 bales; Mobile, quiet at 5 3-16c, net receipts 481 bales; Memphis, steady at 5⅜c, net receipts 3,014 bales; Augusta, quiet at 5¼c, net receipts 820 bales; Charleston, quiet at 5⅛c, net receipts 1,759 bales.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since Sept. 1, 1898:

Galveston, 1,773,447 bales; New Orleans, 1,333,302; Mobile, 192,180; Savannah, 816,814; Charleston, 310,422; Wilmington, 269,527; Norfolk, 436,250; Baltimore, 11,979; New York, 72,959; Boston, 154,480; Newport News, 13,691; Philadelphia, 20,117; Brunswick, 174,471; Port Arthur, 11,802; Pensacola, 110,904; Port Royal, 18,138. Total, 5,740,863.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 30.—Flour was quiet; Minnesota patents $3 90@4 15. Wheat—Spot steady; No. 2 red 80⅝c; options were once more under bull control to-day and in the afternoon passed the recent high water mark; besides an increase of outside trade, clearances were heavy, export demand larger and a cold wave promised for the winter wheat belt, now unprotected by snow; final prices were 1@1½c net higher; No. 2 red March closed 78¼c; May closed 75⅝c; December closed 77½c. Corn—Spot easy; No. 2, 44⅞c; options opened firmer with wheat, but found the cold wave stumbling block to bull operations and later eased off somewhat, closing unchanged ⅛c net higher; May closed 43⅛c; December closed 43¼c. Oats—Spot quiet; No. 2 33½c; options quiet. Beef steady. Cut meats dull. Lard steady; Western steam $5 85; December $5 85, nominal; refined firm. Butter firm; Western creamery 15@21c; do. factory 12@14½c; Elgins 21c; imitation creamery 13@17; State dairy 15@18c. Cheese firm; large white 10½. Petroleum steady. Potatoes steady; Jerseys $1 25@1 50; New York $1 25 @1 62½; Long Island $1 62½@2 00; Jersey sweets $1 25@2 50. Cotton seed oil steady; prime crude 17½@18c; do. yellow 22@22½c. Pork firm. Rice firm. Coffee—Spot Rio quiet but steady; No. 7 invoice 6¾c; No. 7 jobbing 7¼c; mild, steady; Cordova 7¾@15c. Sugar—Raw easier; fair refining 3 13-16c; centrifugal 96 test 4½c.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Wheat was in good demand and aided by strong northwest receipts, the May option closed at an advance of 1 3-8. Corn and oats dragged somewhat, but closed about 1-4c higher each. Provisions advanced 2½ and 5 cents.

CHICAGO, December 30.—Cash quotations: Flour steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring —c; No, 3 spring 64@69c; No. 2 red 71½@72c. Corn—No. 2 37⅜c. Oats—No. 2, 27¼@27¾c; No. 2 white, free on board, —c; No. 3 white, free on board, 29@29½c. Pork, per bbl, $8 50@9 00. Lard, per 100 lbs, $5 50@5 62½. Short rib sides, loose, $4 80@5 10. Dry salted shoulders, $4 25@4 37½. Short clear sides, boxed, $5 10@5 15. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 27.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No.2, December 67¾, 69, 67¾, 68⅝; May 70½@70¾, 71⅞, 70½, 70⅝c; July 68¾@68⅞, 69⅞, 68¾, 69⅝c. Corn—December 37¼, 37¼, 36¾, 37¼c; May 38⅜@38½, 38¾, 38⅞, 38⅜; July 38¾@38⅞, 39⅛, 38½, 38¾. Oats—May 28¼, 28⅜, 28⅛@28¼, 28¼; July 26⅞, 26⅞, 26⅝, 26¾. Pork, per barrel—January $10 10, 10 22½, 10 10, 10 22½; May $10 50, 10 62½, 10 45, 10 57½. Lard, per 100 lbs—January $5 52½, 5 62½, 5 52½, 5 60; May $5 75, 5 85, 5 75, 5 82. Ribs, per 100 lbs, January $4 90, 4 95, 4 90, 4 90; May $5 20, 5 25, 5 17½, 5 22½.

BALTIMORE, December 30.—Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat firmer —spot 75¾@75⅞c; month 75¾@75⅞c; January 75¾@75⅞c; February 76⅛@76¼c. Southern wheat by sample 72@75½c. Corn easier—spot 43@43¼c; month 43@43¼c; new or old December, 42⅛@42¼c; January 42⅛@42¼c; February 42⅛@42⅜c. Southern white corn 36@42½c. Oats firmer; No. 2 white western 34@34½c

FOREIGN MARKET.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, December 30, 4 P. M.—Cotton—spot in fair demand; prices unchanged American middling 3 3-32d. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 2,000 were for speculation and export and included 9,400 bales American. Receipts 7,000 bales, including 6,900 bales American.

Futures opened quiet with a poor demand and closed steady. American middling (l. m. c.): January 3 3 64d buyer; January and February 3 2-64@3 3-64d buyer; February and March 3 3-64@3 4-64d buyer; March and April 3 4 64@3 5-64d buyer; April and May 3 5-64@3 6-64d buyer; May and June 3 6-64@3 7 64d buyer; June and July 3 7-64@3 8-64d seller; July and August 3 8 64@3 9 64d seller; August and September 3 9-64d seller; September and October 3 9-64d buyer; October and November 3 9-64@3 10-64d seller.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 31, 1898.

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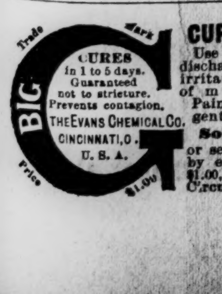
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CANDIES—In Penny goods, Fancy Mixed and Stick. Get our prices before buying.

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AMERICA'S POMPEII.

INTERESTING DISCOVERIES MADE BY AN ALASKAN TRAVELER.

Relics of an Unknown Race Revealed by an Avalanche—The Walls of What May Be a Prehistoric City Laid Bare—Some Beautiful Specimens of Pottery.

One of the most interesting theories in regard to the ancient colonization of America is that relating to its Asiatic origin. These theories were supported by tribal traditions, chiefly among the highly civilized races of Mexico as they were discovered by the Spaniards, from an analysis of which it would appear that the first settlements of this continent were Asiatic—for the time of a high degree of cultivation, in time overrun and subjugated by more warlike and powerful invaders, who, like themselves, came from the north.

Archæological discoveries in New Mexico, Arizona and California have tended to confirm these obscure legends, and now a correspondent of The Globe-Democrat of St. Louis presents the latest claims in the evidence of a Professor Alfred Eldrige of Montreal as to recent discoveries made by him in Alaska. Professor Eldrige's statements to the correspondent were, in brief, as follows:

"At the mouth of the Kuwalik river, on the shore of Kotzebue sound, I encountered a small settlement of Indians, who were much surprised at my desire to proceed up the stream.

"The chief did all in his power to persuade me to abandon my project, explaining unbearable perils galore which I would be certain to encounter. The savages seemed to think the district cursed by the Great Spirit, and nothing could tempt them to set foot on it.

"I did not feel uneasy, however, until I arrived at the mouth of the Kuwalik. As I entered the mouth of this frozen river it seemed as though I could read, 'Abandon hope, all ye who enter here,' written across its horizon, and the vision of a possible Dantean 'Inferno' beyond amazed me.

"On the border of a little lake where I stopped my attention was drawn to a spot half way up a steep peak, which had evidently suffered some recent disturbance. On arriving at the situation I saw that a great body of earth had broken away and rolled down the mountain.

"The first thing to attract me was the discovery of a small piece of broken earthenware, light brown in color, with an artistically worked trimming of Greek design worked in black pigment. It was just such a piece as those I had found in New Mexico some years before, and any one can imagine my amazement at its discovery in that quarter.

"I turned quickly to scan the sides of the earth where the avalanche had torn it apart, and in the midst of the crevice, not 300 yards away from where I stood, I saw the protrusion of a wall of dull gray masonry, crumbling and broken, but showing beyond all doubt, even at that distance, that the builder was human. On making further investigations I found evidences of numerous other walls at a distance of 30 or more feet apart, and some of them revealed corners of masonry.

"It soon became evident to me that I had discovered an American Pompeii through the work of the avalanche. The remains of houses I saw were undoubtedly those of a prehistoric city, covered with earth and debris, which had hidden it through some volcanic action, possibly during, but most likely long after, its desertion, centuries on centuries ago.

"All of the masonry was of beautiful symmetry, constructed of hewn sandstone blocks of an approximately even size, laid in strong mortar beds and with the joints broken. There were many pieces of broken pottery and other articles of domestic use lying around the ruins.

"But I sought higher game, and after preparing a wooden handle to a copper spade which I picked up on the scene I went to digging most industriously. Almost immediately my antiquated spade unearthed a few more fragments of pottery, which seemed an ominous sign. As I reached about six feet beneath the surface pots, vases, cups, plates, jugs, pipes and numerous articles of doubtful use and too heavy to bring away with me were uncovered with almost every thrust of the spade. The last articles my spade revealed were mixed sizes of arrows, spears of odd design, scrapers, hatchets and drills.

"I dug into a square room which had no windows in the walls. Here I found some of the finest specimens of pottery I have ever seen. They were beautifully decorated and finished in a way that is a lost art to modern potters. There were many exquisitely shaped jars, about 3 feet tall and as perfectly preserved as the china just delivered from the hands of our nineteenth century potters—if anything, more artistically proportioned.

"It does not require much thought or study to see an undeniable connection between the evidence of prehistoric inhabitation in Spanish-America and those which I have unearthed in northern Alaska, a fact which opens an entirely new and extensive field for archæological study."

Always Running.

"Your wife has such a liquid voice," said Mr. Fosdick to Mr. Tiff.

"Yes, that's a pretty good name for it," replied Mr. Tiff.

Mr. Fosdick looked up inquiringly, and Mr. Tiff added, "It never dries up, you know."—Harper's Bazar.

Swords were formerly all handmade, the utmost dexterity and skill being required to give the steel the proper temper. In the ordinary sabers now used in the army machinery is, to a limited extent, employed.

From Bremen to Sandy Hook is 3,484 knots.

A Dog as a Witness.

The dog refused to be sworn. It had a sort of Quakerlike simplicity and only affirmed, but its testimony was sufficient to decide a case in Justice Martin's courtroom.

The animal was a large, stately and intelligent Irish setter. After the human litigants had each told his tale, the dog took the witness stand.

"Now, who is your master?" said E. D. Loy, who had replevined the dog from Fred Enderlin, a South Side saloon keeper, on June 26.

The brute barked, sprang out of the witness chair and pawed at the feet of Loy. The animal then went through various performances at the bidding of Loy, including running across the street and back at his command. The dog would not act for the other litigant, and the court decided that he belonged to Loy. The animal was then released from the custody of Constable Roebuck. He wagged his tail at the judge and left the courtroom with his master.—Chicago News.

How It Happened.

"And so you are engaged to Cholly Chubbins," said one girl.

"Yes," was the reply.

"How did he ever persuade you to marry him?"

"Oh, he hasn't persuaded me to marry him. You know that lovely solitaire ring he had?"

"Yes."

"Well, I wanted it to wear to a progressive euchre party."—Indianapolis Journal.

THE SCHOONER.

It Was Invented at Gloucester by a Builder of Fishing Vessels.

The schooner was invented at Gloucester by a builder of fishing vessels. History records that "Captain Robinson built and rigged a ketch, as they were then called, masted and rigged it in a peculiar manner; when launched, the peculiar motion she made as she glided into the water from the stocks caused one of the bystanders to exclaim, 'Oh, how she scoons!' Robinson instantly dashed a bottle of rum against her bow and exclaimed, 'A scooner let her be!' And thus the schooner originated." This event happened in 1713, and three years later mention is made of the employment of a "scooner" in the fisheries off Cape Sable, Nova Scotia.

The invention of the schooner was an important event to the New England fisheries, for its rig has been found, after nearly two centuries of trial, well adapted to fishing vessels employed in the western Atlantic. It has been materially improved, however, since its adoption, and the lofty, yachtlike fishing clipper of today bears little resemblance to its ancient prototype, even though the rig remains the same in principle.

Immediately after the Revolutionary war the adoption of the "Chebacco boat" became quite general, especially along the north shore of Massachusetts. These diminutive craft, at first ranging from about five to ten tons, derived their specific name from Chebacco, now a part of the town of Essex, Mass., where they originated. Cat rigged, with two masts, they were "handy" boats and became so popular that they could be met with on almost all of the inshore grounds. In later years, when some were as large as from 15 to 20 tons, they grew more venturesome, and their cruises extended to the offshore banks.

Indeed tradition tells of some going as far as the West Indies during the embargo period, carrying out cargoes of fish and returning with rum, sugar or molasses. The difficulty of intercourse at that time often made these ventures profitable, and apparently less risk was taken in these diminutive vessels than in larger craft.

As early as 1820 the pinky began to supersede the Chebacco boat. This was similar in form to the latter, being a sharp sterned craft, but it was larger and carried a bowsprit and jib, thus having a full schooner rig. It was most generally in use north of Cape Cod until about 1840. In the meantime square stern schooners, usually with low quarter decks—thus distinguished from the old fashioned high quarter deck craft of the Marblehead type—were built, and for some years after the last mentioned date they were generally preferred to all others. Prosperity led to continued improvement, and about the middle of the century a material change was made in the introduction of the modern clipper schooners.—Joseph William Collins in Harper's Magazine.

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RESOURCES.			LIABILITIES.		
Loans		$659,283 50	Capital		$125,000 00
Overdrafts secured by collateral		10,480 58	Surplus		70,000 00
Overdrafts unsecured		377 33	Undivided profits		19,564 01
U. S. Bonds (at par)		95,600 00	Circulation		40,950 00
Banking House and Fixtures		10,000 00	Deposits, U. S. Treasurer	$ 50,000 00	
Due from app'd reserve agts	$156,143 52		" from banks	190,207 20	
Due from other Banks	$165,220 57		" Individuals	666,562 36	906,769 56
Cash on hand	65,178 27	386,542 16			
Total		$1,162,283 57	Total		$1,162,283 57

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT:

	Dec. 1, '97.	Dec. 1, '98
Total Deposits	$678,000	$906,700
Surplus and Net Profits	76,100	89,500

Dividends paid—6 per cent. per annum.

Last Instalment of Capital paid in October, 1892.

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Train 41—Leaves Wilmington 3:20 P. M., leaves Lumberton 5:15 P. M., Pembroke 5:35 P. M., Maxton 6:12 P. M., Laurinburg 6:23 P. M., Hamlet 6:53 P. M., Wadesboro 8:11 P. M., Monroe 9:12 P. M., Charlotte 10:25 P. M. Connects at Monroe with train 41 for Atlanta, and at Hamlet with train 402 for Portsmouth, Richmond, Washington and points North.

Train 41—Leaves Portsmouth 9:20 A. M., leaves Weldon 11:50 A. M., Raleigh 3:40 P. M., Sanford 5:05 P. M., Hamlet 6:56 P. M., Athens 3:43 A. M., and Atlanta 5:20 A. M.

Train 403—Leaves Washington 4:40 P. M., Richmond 8:56 P. M., Portsmouth 8:45 P. M., leaves Weldon 11:28 P. M., Raleigh 2:16 A. M., Sanford 3:33 A. M., Hamlet 5:07 A. M., Rockingham 5:23 A. M., Wadesboro 5:53 A. M., Monroe 6:43 A. M., Charlotte 7:50 A. M., Lincolnton 10:35 A. M., Shelby 11:37 A. M., Rutherfordton 12:50 noon, Athens 1:13 P. M., Atlanta 2:50 P. M.

Train 38—Leaves Atlanta 7:50 P. M., Athens 11:19 P. M., Monroe 6:05 A. M. Leaves Charlotte 5:10 A. M., Monroe 5:55 A. M., Wadesboro 7:01 A. M., Hamlet 8:00 A. M., Raleigh 11:25 A. M., Weldon 2:45 P. M.; arrive Portsmouth 5:20 P. M.

Train 38—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9:05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12:05 noon.

Train 402—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 M. Leaves Athens 3:13 P. M., Monroe 9:40 P. M. Leaves Rutherfordton 4:35 P. M. Arrives Shelby 5:55 P. M. Lincolnton 6:56 P. M., Charlotte 8:28 P. M., Monroe 9:40 P. M., Wadesboro 10:31 P. M., Rockingham 11:15 P. M., Hamlet 11:15 P. M., Sanford 1:02 A. M., Raleigh 2:16 A. M., Weldon 4:55 A. M., Portsmouth 7:25 A. M., Richmond 8:20 A. M., Washington 12:31 noon.

Train 18—Leaves Hamlet 7:15 P. M. Arrives Gibson 8:10 P. M. Returning, leaves Gibson 6:50 A. M. Arrives Hamlet 7:40 A. M.

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NORTH BOUND.	No. 2 DAILY.
Leave Wilmington	8 50 A. M.
Arrive Fayetteville	12 00 M.
Leave Fayetteville	12 20 P. M.
Leave Fayetteville Junction	12 28 "
Leave Sanford	1 50 "
Leave Climax	3 44 "
Arrive Greensboro	4 15 "
Leave Greensboro	4 25 "
Leave Stokesdale	5 12 "
Leave Walnut Cove	5 44 "
Leave Rural Hall	6 13 "
Arrive Mt. Airy	7 25 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 1 DAILY.
Leave Mt. Airy	8 45 A. M.
Leave Rural Hall	10 09 "
Leave Walnut Cove	10 36 "
Leave Stokesdale	11 07 "
Arrive Greensboro	11 55 "
Leave Greensboro	12 13 P. M.
Leave Climax	12 42 "
Leave Sanford	2 30 "
Leave Fayetteville Junction	3 49 "
Arrive Fayetteville	3 52 "
Leave Fayetteville	4 02 "
Arrive Wilmington	7 05 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 4 DAILY.
Leave Bennettsville	8 00 A. M.
Arrive Maxton	9 03 "
Leave Maxton	9 07 "
Leave Red Springs	9 35 "
Leave Hope Mills	10 20 "
Arrive Fayetteville	10 40 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 3. DAILY.
Leave Fayetteville	4 33 P. M.
Leave Hope Mills	4 52 "
Leave Red Springs	5 35 "
Arrive Maxton	6 09 "
Leave Maxton	6 15 "
Arrive Bennettsville	7 15 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 16. Mixed Daily Ex. Sunday.
Leave Ramseur	6 40 A. M.
Leave Climax	8 30 "
Arrive Greensboro	9 17 "
Leave Greensboro	9 35 "
Leave Stokesdale	11 07 "
Arrive Madison	11 55 "

SOUTH BOMND.	No. 15. Mixed Daily Ex. Sunday.
Leave Madison	12 30 P. M.
Leave Stokesdale	1 15 "
Arrive Greensboro	2 30 "
Leave Greensboro	3 00 "
Leave Climax	3 50 "
Arrive Ramseur	5 30 "

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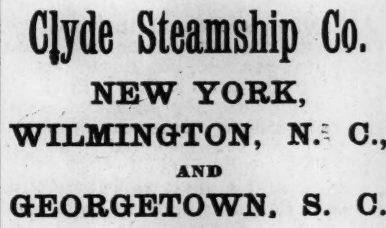
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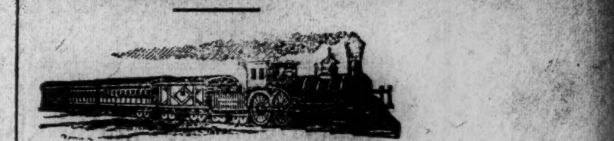
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Schedule In Effect Nov. 20, 1898.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND.

DAILY 9.45 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.19 A. M., Warsaw 11 34 A. M., Goldsboro 12.30 A. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4 32 P. M., Petersburg 6.21 P. M., Richmond 7.20 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.00 A. M., Philadelphia 3.5.. A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 7.15 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.49 P. M., Warsaw 9 03 P. M., Goldsboro 10.00 P. M., Wilson 10.48 P. M., †Tarboro 6.45 A. M., Rocky Mount 11 35 P. M. Weldon 12.59 A. M., †Norfolk 10 05 A. M., Petersburg 2.3.. A. M., Richmond 3.23 A. M., Washington 7 01 A. M., Baltimore 8.23 A. M., Philadelphia 10 35 A. M., New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9 00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M., Marion 6 34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M., Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.12 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M., Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.45 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.03 P. M., New York *9.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.50 A. M., Washington 4 30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.00 P. M., Wilson 2.35 P. M., Goldsboro 3.16 P. M., Warsaw 4 07 P. M., Magnolia 4.20 P. M.

DAILY 9.30 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 A. M., Philadelphia 12 09 P. M., Baltimore 2.25 P. M., Washington 3.46 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 8.12 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 9.43 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.22 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.53 A. M., Magnolia 8.05 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.26 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.25 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M., Columbia 6.50 A. M., Sumter 8.15 A. M., Florence 10.00 A. M., Marion 10.40 A. M., Chadbourn 11.44 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.13 A. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. M., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.20 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.20 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8 10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9 30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10 10 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11 22 A. M.; 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 3.00 P. M.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 10.12 A. M., arrive Latta 10.32 A. M., Dillon 10.44 A. M., Rowland 11.01 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.20 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 10.25 A. M., Chadbourn 1.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 11.00 P. M.; leave Conway 2.45 P. M., Chadbourn 5.30 P. M.; arrive Hub 6.10 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 5.13 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M., 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M.; 5.55 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 2.25 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.20 P. M., Hartsville — P. M., Bennettsville 9.15 P. M., Gibson 9.45 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.50 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.45 A. M. Bennettsville 7.10 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.02 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 3.00 P. M., Cheraw 4.45 P. M., Hartsville 2.15 P. M., Darlington 6.29 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 11.15 P. M., arrive Selma 2.50 P. M., 12.01 P. M., Smithfield 3.02 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 1.10 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M. returning leave Rowland 11.01 A. M., Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., 9.40 P. M., Dunn 12.25 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 1.55 P. M., arrive Wilson 1.06 P. M., 11.59 A. M.

Manchester & Augusta R. R. trains leave Sumter 4.29 A. M., Creston 5.17 A. M., arrive Denmark 9.12 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.13 P. M., Sumter 6.03 P. M. Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.25 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.30 P. M., arrive 4.10 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

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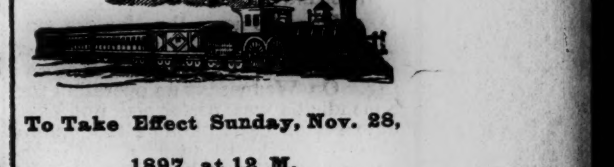
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Time Table No. 3.



To Take Effect Sunday, Nov. 28, 1897, at 12 M.

GOING EAST. GOING WEST.

3 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	3 Pass'g'r Trains Leave	STATIONS.	4 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	4 Pass'g'r Trains Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
....	3 40	Goldsboro	11 05	....
....	4 32	Kinston	10 12	....
5 35	5 45	Newbern	8 57	9 10
6 57	7 02	Morehead City	7 42	7 47
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3 00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 31.

TROOPS SAIL FOR CUBA.

Departure of Transports With Nearly 3,000 Men From Charleston—Nebraska Regiment Leaving Savannah.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 30.—Nearly 3,000 United States troops sailed from Charleston to Cuba to-day. The transports Minnewaska and Manitoba went out on the morning tide and the Ward Line steamer Saratoga went to sea later in the day. On the first named ship there were General Bates, his headquarters, the brigade hospital and the Sixth regiment of Ohio volunteers, bound for Cienfuegos; the Manitoba carried General Sanger, his headquarters and the Twelfth regiment of New York volunteers, while the human cargo of the Saratoga consisted of 450 men of the First regular infantry. In addition to the troops each vessel carried an immense quantity of supplies, provisions, baggage, lumber, etc. The Saratoga goes to Havana, while the Manitoba takes General Sanger and his staff to Matanzas, of which city and district he will have military charge. The Manitoba and Saratoga will reach their respective destinations Sunday, but the voyage of the Minnewaska will consume at least five days.

Leaving Savannah.

SAVANNAH, GA., December 30.—The transport Obdam sailed for Havana this afternoon with the First battalion of the Third Nebraska regiment. The march of the battalion of the late Colonel Bryan's command to the transport was an enthusiastic one. The troops were received with cheers as they passed through the city. The band played "Dixie" between the camps and the transport, and was loudly cheered. One of the soldiers had a Cuban flag stuck in his gun. This evoked considerable enthusiasm. Besides the Nebraska soldiers, the Obdam carried a number of nurses and surgeons for the Havana hospitals.

The transports Roumania and Michigan arrived to-day, and will take the remaining battalions of the Nebraska regiments and one battalion of the Ninth Illinois regiment.

The hospital ship Missouri also arrived to-day for a cargo of medical supplies.

COMMANDERS AT HAVANA.

Two Departments Created—Gen. Ludlow to Command One and Gen. Fitz Lee the Other.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 30.—The War Department to-night issued an order establishing two departments in and about Havana, viz., the Department of Havana, comprising the city proper and suburbs, an area of about ten square miles; and the Department of the Province of Havana, comprising the territory outside of the city proper. Major General Ludlow is assigned to command the department comprising the city and suburbs, and Major General Lee is assigned to the department outside the city. The order is as follows:

War Department, Washington, D. C., Dec. 30, 1898.—By direction of the President the following geographical military departments are established:

1. A department to be known as the Department of Havana, to consist of that portion of the island of Cuba embraced within the following boundaries: Beginning at the mouth of the Almendars River, thence south and west following the Almendars to its tributary, the Rio Grande; thence along the Rio Grande to near its head; thence north via Santa Maria Del Rosario to the headwaters of the Rio Las Vegas; thence along the Rio Las Vegas and the Rio Cojimar to the sea.

2. A department to be know as the Department of the Province of Havana, to consist of all that portion of the island of Cuba within the limits of the province of Havana, except such portion as is embraced within the Department of Havana.

3. Major General Millian Ludlow, U. S. volunteers, is assigned to the command of the Department of Havana, with headquarters in the city of Havana.

Major General Fitzhugh Lee, U. S. volunteers, is assigned to the command of the Department of the Province of Havana, with headquarters at such place as may be designated by the commanding general of the division of Cuba.

The effect of this order will be to place Major General Ludlow in command of the military troops at Havana when the formal ceremony of occupying the city occurs on Monday, subject to the authority of Maj. Gen. Brooke, as Governor-General of the island, and commanding general of that division of Cuba.

DEATH OF SENOR ROMERO.

The Mexican Ambassador to the United States, After an Operation for Appendicitis.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 30.—Senor Don Matias Romero, the Mexican ambassador to the United States, died at the embassy at 4.10 o'clock this morning. On Wednesday an operation for appendicitis was performed upon the ambassador and although the operation was entirely successful, the resulting shock proved greater that he could bear. Up to 1.30 o'clock this morning, however, it was thought that he was in a fair way to recovery, but at that time a high fever set in and he sank rapidly until his death.

The death of Mrs. Romero, which occurred some time ago, was a great shock to the ambassador, and on his return from Mexico whither he had taken her remains for interment, his friends remarked that he was greatly broken and showed unmistakable signs of failing health. While in Mexico at that time, Mr. Romero was stricken with fever and although he was soon able to return to the United States he never fully regained his health.

Senor Romero probably was the best known member of the diplomatic corps in Washington, and was for some time its dean. When Great Britain raised her mission to an embassy the added rank placed Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador, at the head of the corps, though a junior in years of service to Senor Romero, who was raised only recently from the rank of minister to that of ambassador.

The funeral will take place at St. Matthew's Catholic Church Sunday afternoon at one o'clock when a requiem low mass will be celebrated. The body will be placed temporarily in a vault in Mount Olive cemetery and later will be taken to Mexico.

The total bank clearings in the United States for the week were $1,409,502,609; per cent. increase, 18.7. Exclusive of New York, $522,600,195; per cent. increase, 17.5.

EMBALMED BEEF FOR SOLDIERS.

Chief Surgeon Daly's Report on the Result of His Inspections.

FRESH BEEF NOT FIT FOR USE.

It Looked Well, But Had the Odor of a Dead Human Being After Being Injected With Preservatives. Made Many Sick.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 30.—The War Investigating Commission had a brief executive session to-day, and at noon adjourned until Tuesday, January 3rd. There was no important action at to day's meeting and the matter of recalling Commissary General Eagan, Major General Shafter and Major General Miles, as a result of the agitation over the beef issued to the army in the war, remains undetermined. A decision probably will be reached next Tuesday, when it is likely there will be a full attendance of the commission, absence over the holidays of a majority of the members resulting in making the past week's proceedings of an unimportant and routine character.

The commission to-day made public a report, omitted in the statement given out yesterday, bearing on the beef controversy. It is from Major W. H. Daly, chief surgeon at army headquarters at Tampa, prior to the sailing of the Shafter expedition, and is as follows:

Embalmed Beef.

"*Washington, D. C., September 21st, 1898.*—To the Assistant Adjutant General, headquarters of the army, Washington, D. C.—Sir—I have the honor to report in the interest of the service, that in the several inspections I made in the various camps and troopships at Tampa, Jacksonville, Chickamauga and Porto Rico, that I found the fresh beef to be apparently preserved with secret chemicals, which destroys its natural flavor, and which I also believe to be detrimental to the health of the troops.

"While on duty at the headquarters of the army at Tampa, at the time of the embarkation of the Shafter expedition, Col. Weston, the efficient chief commissary, showed me a quarter of beef that had already as a test been sixty hours in the sun without being perceptibly tainted, so far as the sense of smell could detect. It is impossible to keep fresh beef so long untainted, in the sun in that climate, without the use of deleterious preservatives, such as boric acid, salacylic acid, or nitrate of potash injected into it in quantities likely to be hurtful to the health of the consumer. At Punce, Porto Rico, much of the beef examined arriving on the transports from the United States was also of the same character, being apparently preserved by injected chemicals to aid deficient cold storage.

Deleterious to Health.

"Where efficient storage is impossible, transporting beef alive is the method that should receive the fullest consideration by the government as being safest for the health of the consumers. When detailed to take charge of the transport Panama for conveying convalescents to the United States, I obtained two thousand pounds of fresh beef from the commissary at Ponce. It looked well, but had an odor similar to that of a dead human being after being injected with preservatives, and tasted when first cooked like decomposed boric acid, while after standing a day for further inspection, it became so bitter, nauseous and unpalatable, as to be quite impossible for use. I was, therefore, obliged, owing to its condition and the just complaints of the sick about it and the disgustingly sickening odor it had when cooked, and its mawkish flat taste when served, and for the safety of the patients, two hundred and fifty-five convalescent soldiers on board, to organize a board of survey, condemn and throw fifteen hundred pounds, all we had, overboard. Consequently the convalescent patients were entirely without much needed fresh beef, making the duty of bringing the men to the United States in an improved condition a very difficult matter. In my inspection of the Fourth U. S. V. I., at Jacksonville, recently, I observed the same odor and taste upon the fresh beef, but not so marked; and at the camp of the Sixth U. S. V. I., at Chickamauga, I also, at several inspections, observed it markedly. I there inspected a lot of beef just issued to that regiment, and while it looked well, it was of a sickening odor, like a human body dead of disease and injected with preservatives, and when cooked it was quite unpalatable; consequently, it was likely to prove an efficient cause of ill-health. The men complained of its insipid and mawkish flavor that high seasoning could not conceal.

Believing that the commissary department has been imposed upon by the misdirected commercial spirit of persons furnishing fresh beef, I respectfully recommend that the matter be investigated by experts, making a quantative and qualitative chemical analysis of the several preservatives supposed to be used, by getting samples of the beef furnished for export to Cuba and Porto Rico.

"If the question arises that a report should have been made by me earlier, I beg to say that I have endeavored with all my opportunities to first inform myself by observation of the conditions above noted sufficiently to warrant my drawing the attention of the adjutant general at headquarters of the army to the matters.

"Very respectfully,

(Signed) "W. H. DALY,

"Major and chief surgeon U. S. V.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT

For the Week Ending Friday, Dec. 30, 1898.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending Dec. 30th:

	1898.	1897.
Net receipts at all U. S ports during the week.....	294,159	306,567
Total receipts to this date.....	5,740,488	5,439,953
Exports for week..	335,465	184,152
Total exports to date.....	4,131,511	3,662,756
Stock in all U. S. ports	1,291,603	1,218,550
Stock at all interior towns.....	729,490	624,345
Stock in Liverpool,	1,337,000	854,000
American afloat for Great Britain...	385,000	330,000

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EXPORT TRADE IS THE HEAVIEST EVER KNOWN.

The Year's Business—Exports Nearly Double Imports—Increased Activity in Manufactures—Prices Firm.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Bradstreets to-morrow will say:

Holiday, quiet in general demand, sustained activity in industrial lines, particularly iron and steel, exceptionally large shipments of goods on orders, liberal cereal exports and specially heavy dealings in speculative markets, are features calling for notable mention in the closing week of the year. Firmness in price is likewise an encouraging feature in most staples. Wheat, though showing a reaction, is higher on the week on large export clearances, and other cereals are in sympathy. Pig iron demand grows, and the price for this product and for steel rails, steel billets, plates and wire rods are all higher on the week, while the volume of foreign demand for our finished products apparently increases as the year draws to its conclusion.

Concisely stated, the reports received, as to the year's business in all sections of the country point to an unprecedented volume of domestic and export trade, which is reflected in bank clearings that break the high record of 1892. The general level of prices of staples and securities at the close of the year is the highest point reached for five years past. Railroad earnings exceed all previous years and finally there was a smaller number of failures and lower liabilities than reported in any year for at least five years past.

Unprecedented Export Trade.

These general results in the country at large have been achieved too, notwithstanding the outbreak and conclusion of a foreign war and in spite also of unfavorable conditions in some industries, notably textile manufacturing, which combined with unfavorable weather early in the year and the lowest price for cotton on record, exercised an unfavorable influence. But the close of the year finds an improvement even in those directions, and returns as to retail trade, and particularly holiday business are strikingly good in all sections. Best reports as to distributive trade naturally come from the grain growing sections of the country, which were the first to feel an improvement resulting from free foreign demand for our cereals, but indications are not wanting that this improvement is gradually percolating throughout the entire business community, and coupled with the unprecedented export trade in manufactured goods and the fact that we are selling two dollars' worth abroad for every dollar's worth we buy, renders possible the gains reported in distributive trade over 1897, ranging from 10 to 40 per cent., with likewise good reports from the manufacturing centres, excepting the textile industries already mentioned. The export trade of the country for the year, as above intimated, is the heaviest ever known, and will probably exceed $1,250,000,000 in value, thus being nearly double the imports Our export trade in manufactured goods, it might be observed, is the heaviest ever known, and for the first time in our country's history exceeded the value of imports of similar goods.

A MUTINOUS REGIMENT.

Serious Complaint Concerning Conduct of the Second Illinois on the Voyage to Cuba.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAVANNAH, GA., Dec. 30.—Captain Charles T. Baker, assistant quartermaster in charge of the transport Michigan, which arrived here to-day, sent to Washington to-night an official report in which the Second Illinois regiment, which the Michigan carried to Cuba on her last trip, was charged with mutinous conduct, and it was stated that Col. Hotchkiss, in command of the regiment, had to be threatened with report to the commanding major general. It is intimated in the report that an investigation and possibly a court martial will be demanded.

Previous to the sailing of the Michigan it had been reported that the ship was not in good condition. This Captain Baker denies. He asserts that she was in good shape, and in support of this, he transmits a letter to that effect from a number of well known army officers, including Major Richard Henry Savage, (the novelist) of the second engineers.

Capt. Baker says: "The two battalions came aboard eighteen hours before we left port. During that time the wildest confusion prevailed. No one assumed to be in command. Shouting, yelling, hurrahing and disorder generally continued throughout the entire time the animals were being loaded. There were a number of accidents, and it is only a wonder that several of the horses were not thrown from the gangway and killed. The regulations provide that no smoking be permitted between decks, and no soldiers be permitted in the life-boats. These regulations were not complied and with no effort was made to enforce them.

"On the first inspection" said Capt. Baker, "we found fifteen or more of the men smoking between decks."

The commander of the transport complained of the action of the soldiers to the quartermaster and he notified Col. Hotchkiss that the soldiers must quit their mutinous conduct or report would be made to the Major General commanding.

"The vandalism they are practicing," wrote Captain Baker to Colonel Hotchkiss, "seriously endangers the safety of the vessel." It transpires that the Michigan was without adequate fire apparatus.

Notwithstanding his remonstrance to the colonel commanding, the mutinos conduct of the men continued, and Captain Baker's report adds:

With a thorough knowledge of their dangers, the men of the Second Illinois refused to obey every order issued against smoking between decks. In the troops' quarters the electric lamps were smashed to afford the men amusement. This vandalism was practiced to such an extent that the chief engineer found that it was impossible to supply the necessary light. Life preservers were torn down and scattered throughout the ship. One night about eight o'clock the man on the bridge was ruthlessly hurled from his watch by soldiers. The chief officer went forward and by main force compelled the soldiers to disperse. There was no such thing as keeping the men from the hatchways, until one fell and came near being killed."

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EVACUATION CELEBRATION.

Proclamation Issued by the Cuban Committee Ordering Postponement—The Programme For Formal Surrender by the Spaniards.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, Dec. 30.—The Cuban patriotic committee, consisting of one hundred and fifty leading Cubans—lawyers, doctors and business men—at a meeting which lasted until 4 o'clock this morning, decided to yield without reservation to the wishes of General Brooke and General Ludlow in the matter of postponing the six day celebration and has approved a manifesto to the Cuban population of Havana, on the line of General Ludlow's reply on the subject of the proposed celebration, quoting some portion of it and paraphrasing others.

The Cuban citizens of Havana and the Cuban soldiers outside the city are intensely excited, but the patriotic committee and the military chiefs of the Cubans think they can quiet this feeling and prevent violent incidents.

The Programme.

At 10 o'clock on Sunday morning, January 1st, the United States troops will occupy the plaza in front of the Captain General's palace and the adjacent streets, the Spanish soldiers withdrawing and proceeding to the transports awaiting them.

Captain-General Castellanos and the members of his staff will remain in the Captain-General's apartments.

Early in the morning, details of United States troops will enter Morro Castle and Cabanas fortress, the Spanish troops thereupon withdrawing to the transports, with the exception of a detachment of artillerymen, who will remain behind to fire a salute to the American flag.

The United States military commissioners and their staffs, Major General Brooke, military governor of the island; Major General Lee, military governor of the province of Havana; Major General Ludlow, military governor of the city of Havana, and Commodore John W. Philip, commander of the United States naval forces at Havana, with their staffs, will join Captain General Castellanos toward noon in the state saloon of the Palace. On the Palace roof will be a Spanish officer, probably of captain's rank, sergeants, a guard of privates, with Major Butler, and a detail of United States infantry.

Immediately following the boom of the American salute to the red and golden flag of Spain, the Spanish officer will lower the flag, and Major Butler will raise the stars and stripes, the Spanish guns saluting. The latter salute will carry its special significance to the brilliant company inside the palace; and Captain General Castellanos, in a few words, will transfer the government to Major General Wade, of the United States military commission, who after replying to the Captain General, will transfer it to Major General Brooke, military governor of Cuba.

As soon as these ceremonies are over, Captain General Castellanos will leave the palace, escorted by the United States troops, proceeding across the plaza to the steamer Rabat, upon which he will embark for Matanzas. As the Captain General crosses the plaza the United States troops drawn up there will salute.

A short reception will follow in the State Salon, after which the American naval commanders will go to the Hotel Inglaterra to review a column of United States troops.

Lieut. Wade, the son of Major General Wade, will raise the American flag over Morro Castle and Fitzhugh Lee, Jr., over Cabanas Fortress.

The Address of the Junta Patriotica

regarding the abandonment of the proposed demonstrations has been widely circulated to-day. It is as follows:

"*To the People of Havana:*

"In accordance with the wishes of the American authorities, the directory of the Junta Patriotica, after consultation with the main committee, has agreed to suspend the festivities planned to celebrate the independence of the island. In a reasonable letter to the commission charged with presenting the festival programme, General Ludlow has indicated the great desirability of suspending for the present public demonstrations, owing to a rumor that at the present moment, when the Cuban police are not yet organized, there might be some interruption of public order, in the preservation of which all citizens, and especially all Cubans, are deeply interested.

"At the same time General Ludlaw declares that the American authorities are in full sympathy with the joyous feeling of the Cubans, and that, when the situation becomes more settled, they will take pleasure in promoting such festivals as have been proposed and will, even participate in them. But the American authorities are convinced that the present moment is not opportune for celebrations.

"In view of the fact that the considerations thus urged are quite in accord with obvious good judgment, the representatives of the directory have determined to suspend the festivities arranged for the coming week, which will be carried out as soon as circumstances permit. The directory regrets the existence of such doubts as to prevent the carrying out of the programme as projected; but they have agreed to recommend to the Cubans to co-operate in maintaining order during the change of flags and in the days following, because they are convinced that the moderation and orderly behavior of the Cuban people at these moments will powerfully influence the future destiny of our country."

DRY GOODS MARKET.

Tone Continues Strong With Further Advance in Prices Expected.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 30.—Business was generally quiet as on previous days of this week in both staple and fancy lines. The tone continued strong throughout and further advances in prices are regarded as certain early in the new year. Print cloths were strong with some sales of regulars at 2⅞ cents and of 38½ inch 64 square at 3½ cents. Business in the woollen goods division was quiet and without special feature.

FILIPINO JUNTA'S STATEMENT

Yearning for Peace and Good Fellowship With People of the United States. Reply to Commissioner Harden.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HONG KONG, December 30.—The Filipino Junta here has replied to the report of Commissioner Harden, who was sent to the Philippines by the government of the United States to report upon the conditions there prevailing. The Junta asked the Associated Press to publish the following as "revealing the true situation and sentiment," in the Philippines.

"We deny that Aguinaldo will be satisfied if made a major general in command of five native regiments, and that if this is done the national army could be disarmed and disbanded.

"We repeat our appeal for an impartial inquiry by an able commissioner and implore the American people to refrain from a hasty decision.

"The Filipino government views with alarm Commissioner Harden's proposal to impose in America a high protective tariff against Philippine products.

"Iloilo surrended to the national army, which is the completion of occupation of the island of Panay. There is no truth in the reported establishment of an opposition republic in the Visayas. All the officials in the Visayas hold Aguinaldo's commission.

"The Filipinos are yearning for a peaceful settlement of all questions. To their brothers across the sea, the Filipinos send greeting and earnest prayer that with the new year will dawn a near era of peace, prosperity and good fellowship with the free and beneficent people of the United States. Though but an infant among nations, yet are we strong, if assured of the good will of the great American nation."

AFRO-AMERICAN COUNCIL.

A Long Address to the American People. Calls on Congress to Reduce Representation in Certain States.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Bishop Walter called to order the second day's session of the Afro-American council. The principal business at the night session was the adoption of a long address to the American people.

"We are not opposed," the address says, "to legitimate restriction of the suffrage, but we insist that the restrictions shall apply alike to all citizens of all States. We are willing to accept an educational or property qualification, or both. We insist that neither of these was intended or is conserved by the new constitutions of Mississippi, South Carolina or Louisiana."

The address calls on Congress to reduce representation of those States in that body. The address says the increase of mob and lynch law has become a source of reproach at home and abroad and regrets that the President saw fit to treat with silence this vital matter in his recent message to Congress. It speaks of the separate car law as unjust and oppressive.

ADVICES FROM MANILA.

General Otis Has Not Yet Heard of the Result of Landing General Miller's Forces at Iloilo.

(By Telegraph to The Morning Star.)

WASHINGTON, December 30.—A cablegram was received at the War Department to-day from General Otis, in command at Manila, but to the disappointment of the officials he announced that he had not yet heard of the landing of General Miller's forces at Manila.

Provision has been made by the Navy Department for the establishment of a mail service between Manila and Guam, our new naval station in the Pacific. Admiral Dewey has been instructed that after the Yosemite arrives at Manila he must send a mail to the island of Guam at least once in every two months, using any vessel of the fleet available for the service.

MOVEMENT OF COTTON.

Comparative Statement of the World's Visible Supply and Crop in Sight.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, December 30.—Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton shows an increase for the week just closed of 89,645 bales, against an increase of 125,107 last year and 54,921 in 1894. The total visible is 5,151,325, against 5,061,680 last week and 4,271,662 last year. Of this the total of American cotton is 4,989,325 against 4,829,680 last week and 4,059,662 last year, and of all other kinds including Egypt, Brazilian, etc., 212,000 against 232,000 last week and 211,000 last year.

The movement into sight compared with the seven days ending this date last year, of 60,000 bales shows an increase over the same days year before last of 153,000, for the 114 days of the season that have elapsed the aggregate is ahead of the 114 days of last year, 400,000; ahead of the same days year before last, 1,292,000, and ahead of 1894 by 683,000.

THE PAPER TRUST.

Deal Will Inolvve About $40,000,000 and Include All the Mills.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., December 30.—Dean & Shibley, brokers and bankers, of this city, have taken charge of the arrangements to consolidate the paper manufacturers of this country. The deal will involve about $40,000,000 and will include all the mills making writing paper, bond paper, wrapping, ledger, envelope and news paper. The purpose of consolidation is to eliminate competition, stop over-production and make a condensation of the lines of manufacturers so that the mill best adapted to make a certain grade of paper may restrict its attention to that specialty, and thus, by utilizing all the machinery and capital invested to the best advantage, get the best results.

A CRAZY SOLDIER.

Member of the Third Connecticut Attempted to Cut a Woman's Throat.

(By Telegraph to the Morning Star)

CHARLESTON, S. C., December 30.—John Peters, of Company L, Third Connecticut, stationed at Camp Marion, near Summerville, yesterday attempted to cut the throat of the wife of Larson Bellamy, colored, at Lincolnville, a negro village about five miles from the camp. She dodged and he cut her in the right cheek. He is supposed to be crazy. He was found preaching to an illiterate congregation near Camp Marion recently. He is now under treatment at the brigade hospital.

THE ISLAND OF GUAM.

Revolt Against the Governor Appointed by Capt. Glass—Spanish Garrison in the Carolines Massacred.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, December 30.—A British schooner, just arrived from the Ladrone islands, reports that after the cruiser Charleston left the island of Guam, in June last, the Spaniards refused to recognize the authority of Francis Portusach, who was verbally authorized by Captain Glass to continue his former regime as governor, and Jose Sisto, a former public administrator, was declared governor. He armed part of the native guard, collected a tax of six dollars a head, and secreted fifteen tons of powder and a small stock of them ammunition, when the island was taken by the Americans.

The schooner also reports the massacre of the Spanish garrison by the combined native forces at Panopi, Caroline Islands. Henry Nroti, an educated chief, has been selected to be the ruler. He is reported to be favorable to Americans.

The British schooner Beunvenatura has gone to Iloilo to protect British interests there.

The Spanish steamer Romulus, which has just arrived here, confirms the report that the insurgents at Iloilo are inclined to surrender that town to the Americans, if satisfied as to the form of government which will be accorded them.

ADAMS-CORNISH POISONING.

New York's Chief Detective Believes He Has Solved the Mystery.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, December 31.—The *World* says: "Captain George McClusky, chief of the detective bureau, firmly believes that he has solved the mystery surrounding the attempt to kill Harry Cornish, physical instructor of the Knickerbocker Athletic Club, by sending him poison through the mails. At 9 o'clock last night Captain McClusky stated that he would have the culprit in custody within twelve hours. The name of the suspected murderer is withheld from publication let its announcement should defeat the ends of the justice.

The man under surveillance was formerly a member of Knickerbocker Athletic Club. He was at one time a man of high social and financial standing in this city. In later years, through evil habits and evil associations, his descent was rapid.

THE BOTKIN CASE.

Verdict of Murder With Penalty Fixed at Life Imprisonment.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., Dec. 30.—The jury in the Botkin case has returned a verdict of murder in the first degree with penalty fixed at life imprisonment.

Although the jury was out only four hours, more than one of which was devoted to dinner, it is currently reported to-night that the verdict was the result of a compromise. Considering the unexpectedness of the verdict, Mrs. Bodkin kept herself well in hand when her fate was announced Not until the jury and most of the spectators had left the court room did she give evidence of collapse. Then she sank back half fainting, but speedily recovered when given a glass of water.

The Georgia and Alabama Railroad stockholders have guaranteed an issue of one million dollars of bonds for the construction of terminals at Savannah. These terminals will be built at a cost of over $2,000,000.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

☞ NOTICES For Rent or Sale, Lost or Found, Wants, and other short Miscellaneous Advertisements inserted in this Department, in solid Nonpariel Type, on first or fourth page, at Publisher's option, for **1 cent** per word each insertion; but no advertisement taken for less than **20 cents.** Terms positively cash in advance.

Hands Wanted—I want thirty good men to work turpentine at Ashpole, Fla Meet me to-day at Bonitz House. I will leave on this P. M. train. S. W. Russ. de 31 1t*

For Sale or Rent—My farm known as the Bonham place, on the Wrightsville road, three miles from Wilmington. Dwelling, barn and stables. For terms apply to Mrs. Chas. M. Bonham, corner Ninth and Mulberry streets. de 30 3t

Wood, Wood, Wood—Well seasoned oak, ash and pine; ready for stove, fireplace and grate. Prompt delivery. Henry R. Savage, wood dealer, No. 18 South Water street. Bell 'Phone 161. de 29 1w

Lost On Tuesday, December 27th, either on Princess between Front and Third, Third between Princess and Market or on Market between Front and Third, a registered package about five inches in length. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at postoffice or at No. 11 South Front street. de 28 tf

Wanted--Position as Stenographer. Six years' experience. Good recommendations. Address, Miss R. E. C., Box 41, Orangeburg, S. C. de 27 5t*

W. M. Cumming, Real Estate Agent and Notary Public, offers for rent a Store on Market street, between Front and Second at $30 a month. oc 5 tf

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Camera For Sale—A "Vive" Camera and complete outfit for sale at a reasonable price. Takes picture 4¼x4¼. May be seen at the STAR office. de 23 tf

Yes! I have a nice Turkey or Goose that will suit you at a very reasonable price. Come and make your selection or call either 'Phone No. 89. I will serve you to your entire satisfaction. H. J. Bierman, 215 Market street. de 22 tf

Christmas comes but once a year. Why not give us a share. Our line of fancy goods is fresh and reliable. Pro opt returns of all consigned goods. Love & Flynn. de 20 tf

Christmas Photographs—Come and see my Christmas display of genuine Caobonet Photographs. They are up-to date in style and finish. U. C. Ellis, 114 Market street. no 22 1y

Just Arrived—400 bunches fine Bananas, 25 barrels Jamaica Oranges. For sale cheap by A. S. Winstead, 115 North Second street. no 15 tf

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Hayden, P. H., has in stock Buggies, Road Carts and Harness of all kinds. Repairing done by skilful workmen on short notice. Opposite new Court House. no 25 tf

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Old Newspapers for sale by the hundred at the STAR Office. Excellent for underlaying carpets, or for wrapping paper. oct 2 tf

Chickens, Eggs and all kinds of Country Produce. See L. Tate Bowden when you want the nicest and freshest in the produce line at the very lowest possible prices. No. 6 Princess street. oc 27 tf

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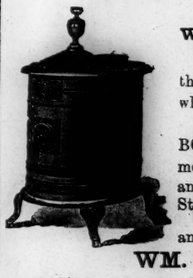
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